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少年漫画では
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主人公はアンケート不振の
少年誌漫画家・相澤敬永。
連載打ち切り
「ロザリオ×マスター」の作者だ。
相棒は人気同業の為、
読み切りの超豪華
ヒロイン設定を思いつく。
ただ…並々ならぬ願いが
強すぎたのか相棒は
自分の描いている
漫画の中に
取り込まれてしまう!
現実世界への脱出方法は
目の前に現れた
ヒロイン・ニナの台詞…!?
ありそうでなかった、
作者IN己の漫画!

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SHONEN SUNDAY COMICS

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THE STORY BEGINS WITH A SHONEN MANGA'S CLICHÉ FIRST
新連載
NEW SERIALIZATION
THE FIRST WEEK
第1週目
!!!!!
LAS BOSS X HERO
ラスボスヒーロー
SOME THING COULD SHOW UP, NINA.
WHAT? HARU, ARE YOU BACKING OUT?
IS THIS THE ABANDONED CHURCH?
HMPH, HOW CAN I PUT THIS...
HAHA.
WHO DO YOU THINK I AM...?
BESIDES, I'M FULL OF URGES TO GROPE YOUR TITS.
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!

51A.NEW 新連載!! SERIALIZATION, *FLASH* 51P!!

AN EXTREME TWIST OF PLOT, WHEN HE IS CORNERED THAT WILL SUMMON HIM TO A WONDERLAND

CHAPTER 1: A MANGAKA'S DUTY

New エイジパワー!!

葛城一 KATSURAGI HAJI

❹地味では「くずしろ」名義でも活躍してマス!!

主人公は↙かけだしの週刊少年誌漫画家!!

行き詰まった彼が思いついちゃった超展開。

LAS BOSS HERO

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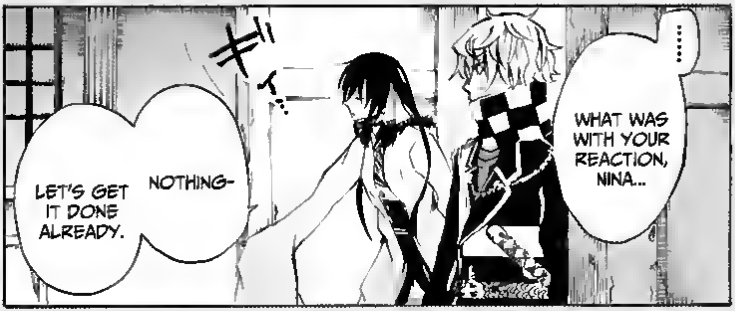
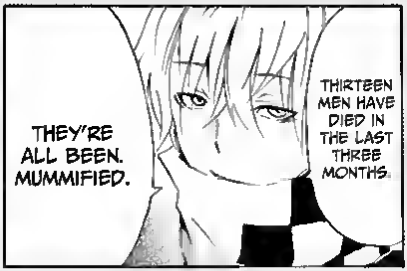
I'M SORRY. I GUESS I WAS SO EXCITED IN THE DEAD OF A NIGHT THAT I SLIPPED MY HIDDEN DESIRE..
あっはっは
IT SOUNDS FUN WHY NOT GO WITH THIS?
NOPE, IT'S AWKWARD IN THE FLOW.
はっはっは
4
I'LL FIX IT.. PLEASE GIVE IT BACK TO ME
IT'S OKAY, THOUGH
すっ
WHETHER IT'S A YAKUZA, A CRIMINAL OR CINDERELLA, I SHALL SLASH THEM IN HALF AT A SINGLE SWING UNFORGIVEN.
NO, IT CAN'T CONTINUE UNLESS I CHANGE THIS PART.
THIS IS HARUSAMA AT YOUR SERVICE?
TRUE.


WHAT WAS WITH YOUR REACTION, NINA...
NOTHING-
LET'S GET IT DONE ALREADY.


THIRTEEN MEN HAVE DIED IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS.
THEY'RE ALL BEEN. MUMMIFIED.

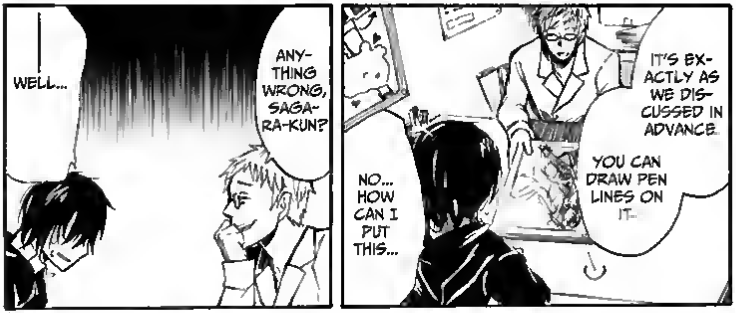
..AT A GLIMPSE, I COULDN'T SENSE ANY TRACE OF DEVILS.
AW.. SO IT WAS AN ORDINARY MAN'S DOING?

SO A DEVIL DID IT?
POSSI-BLE-
.....

IT DOESN'T REALLY MATTER IF HE REMOVED TRACES OR NOT.
IF HE IS HERE, WE'LL JUST HAVE TO DRAG HIM OUT...

IF A HUMAN DID IT, A DEVIL MUST'VE TRICKED HIM TO MASS MURDER.
IF WE PUT THEM ALTOGETHER AND DELETE THEM FROM THE WORLD, THE PROBLEM WILL BE GONE.
...YOU OFTEN MAKE A RADICAL COMMENT, HARU.
THAT'S OUR DUTY AS EXORCISTS.
AND PURIFY HIM.

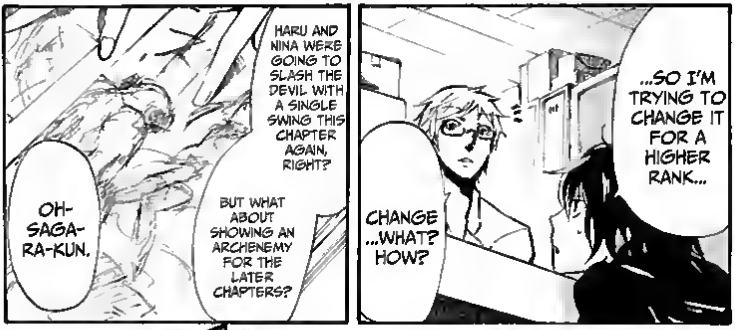
LET'S SPLIT UP AND FIND HIM!
WHY DO YOU THINK THE TWO OF US CAME HERE FOR? ARE YOU DUMB? WHAT IF YOU GOT ASSAULTED ALL BY YOURSELF...
HAH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? YOU DON'T TRUST ME ON THIS?
WHAT GIVES, HARU? ARE YOU SCARED? WANT ME TO PROTECT YOUR SORRY LITTLE ASS?
FINE, I'LL BITE LET'S SPLIT UP.



I'M WONDER-ING IF IT'S GOOD ENOUGH..
THIS MANGA IS ALREADY PAST 26 CHAP-TERS, BUT IT'S RANK-ING...
17 OUT OF 20 ON AVER-AGE.
THE NUMBER OF TANKOU-BON* SOLD IS..
TEN THOUSAND IN THE FIRST PRINT. NO SECOND PRINT.

* CHAPTERS COMPILED IN PRINTED MANGA OR BOOK.

I'M ON THE VERGE OF GETTING AXED...
HAHAHA, I CAN'T SAY IT'S SAFE.


...SO I'M TRYING TO CHANGE IT FOR A HIGHER RANK...
CHANGE ...WHAT? HOW?
HARU AND NINA WERE GOING TO SLASH THE DEVIL WITH A SINGLE SWING THIS CHAPTER AGAIN, RIGHT?
BUT WHAT ABOUT SHOWING AN ARCHENEMY FOR THE LATER CHAPTERS?
OH-SAGA-RA-KUN.

YOU DON'T NEED TO DO THAT!
SAY WHAT?

EVEN WHEN THE SURVEY RANKING IS BAD,
WE USUALLY HAVE A LONG-TERM PERSPEC-TIVE. SO IT'S UNLIKELY WE'LL AXE IT SOON.
.....

IF YOU WANT TO CREATE AN ARCHENE-MY, WE NEED TO COME UP WITH A PLOT FOR LATER CHAPTERS AS WELL.
PLUS, WHAT THE READ-ERS WANTS IS NOT THE BATTLE SCENES, BUT CHITCHATS BETWEEN HARU AND NINA.

WHEW……

I'M HOME……

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GEEZ…

…IT'S ALREADY PAST MIDNIGHT…

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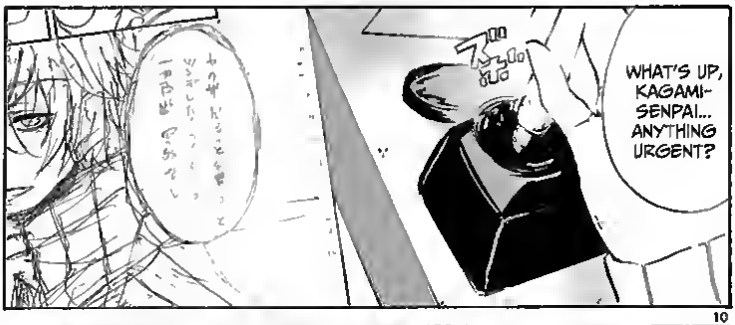
I'D BETTER DRAW THE LINE ART BEFORE THE ASSISTANTS SHOW UP IN THE MORNING.



I SAW <ROSARIO X MASTER> RANKED BELOW THE PRINT ORDER*.
I WAS WONDERING IF IT SURVIVES IN THE NEXT MEETING.
NOT REALLY...
IT'S NOT GOOD AT ALL, COMPARED TO SOME SUPER-POPULAR STAR ARTIST.
ARE YOU MAKING A FUN OF ME? GET LOST!!
I'M NOT A STAR ARTIST.. I'M THE THIRD IN FACT.

[* T/L: IT MEANS FOR EXAMPLE, THE MANGA WAS PRINTED 12TH OUT OF (ORIGINALLY) 20 MANGAS IN A MAGAZINE BUT THE SURVEY RANKING WAS 15TH. IN OTHER WORDS, THE MANGA DID WORSE THAN EXPECTED, OR THE MANGA FAILED TO RECEIVE ANY BOOST FROM A ONE-TIME FAVOR]

YOU'RE NOT...
BUT LET ME TELL YOU ONE THING...
HAVING FUN AT ALL, ARE YOU?
WE'RE BOTH 21 YEARS OLD, DEBUTED THE SAME YEAR.. BUT WHAT MADE A DIFFERENCE ..?
DUNNO.
THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT.
BUT.. THIS HAPPENS A LOT! EXORCISTS FIGHTING DEVILS OR THE DEMON LORD FATED TO DESTROY THE WORLD
BUT NOW YOU'VE TURNED INTO JUST ANOTHER GUY DRAWING SOME CRAPPY MANGA
WHEN YOU WON THAT AWARD, YOU WERE A HOTSHOT.
DO WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO.
..OKAY
I'LL KILL IT FAST, AND MOVE ON TO MY NEXT WORK.
IT WAS DOOMED FROM THE START .. AND THIS SERIALIZATION IS HOPELESS.
HEY.. WHATEVER.
通鏡
WELL, DO YOUR BEST GOING BACK THE WA--

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NO MATTER WHAT CIRCUM-STANCES OR HIDDEN AGENDA YOU HAVE,
YOU "MUST COMPLETE" THE STORY THAT YOU STARTED.
IT'S A MANGA-KA'S DUTY.
...I KNOW.
……
NOW, YOU'VE TURNED INTO JUST ANOTHER GUY DRAWING SOME CRAPPY MANGA
CRAPPY, HUH...

I TOOK IT OFF HALF-HEARTED IN THE FIRST PLACE.
CAN'T DENY IT.

AH, NO, HOW CAN I BREAK THIS TO YOU... THE EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT HAS SOMETHING IN THEIR MIND.
I'VE ALREADY THOUGHT ABOUT A FEW WRITING MATERIALS FOR MY SERI-
YES?!

A YEAR AND HALF AGO
SAGARA-KUN, NOW THAT WE HAVE READ OVER SEVERAL REFERENCE BOOKS WHY DON'T WE START WORKING ON A SERIALIZATION.
AH, YES, PLEASE!!

"SOMETHING LIKE THAT."
〈CRIMSON NIGHTMARE〉 IN WEEKLY DEVIL, AND 〈DRA-MOE QUEST〉 IN RPG.

BUT HOW CAN I SELL A COPYCAT TO THEM!!
DON'T UNDERESTIMATE THE READERS!!
NO DOUBT THOSE TWO WORKS WERE POPULAR ENOUGH TO BE MADE ANIMES!!
SOMETHING LIKE THAT, MY ASS!!

TEXT. WHAT READERS WANTS IS NOT THE BATTLE SCENES BUT CHITCHATS BETWEEN HARU AND NINA!!
バトルよりかけあいがウケてるからそーいうのかいてくれって!!
AND HIS COM-MENT TODAY!
BUT THEY WOULDN'T HAVE LET ME SERIALIZE OTHER-WISE...
IF I HAD SKIPPED ON IT, THEY WOULD'VE MADE ME WAIT ANOTHER YEAR...
I WAS NEARLY FORCED TO...
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SHOOT! HE'S LOOKING DOWN ON ME BECAUSE I'M A ROOKIE!!
クワ
USELESS EDITOR-IN-CHIEF!
AND I, WHO CAN'T REVOLT AGAINST THE INCA-PABLE...
AM EVEN MORE INCAPABLE ENOUGH TO DRAW ONLY A PRETTY BORING MANGA...
AH- AH- WHAT SHOULD I DO--
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IT'S A TEXT THIS TIME...
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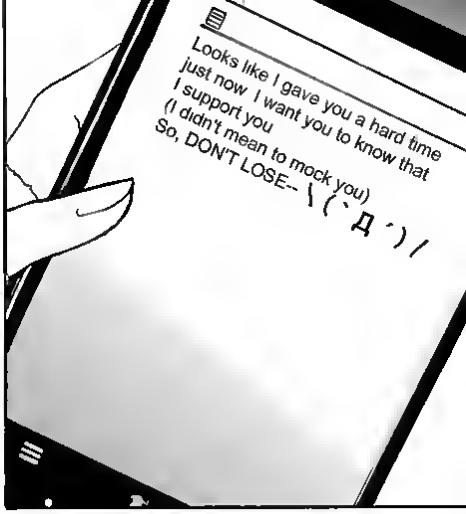
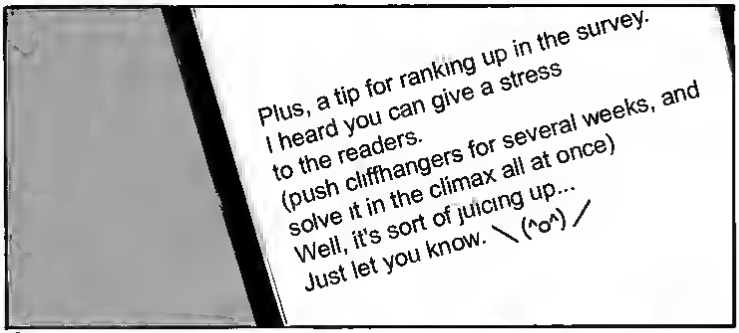
...KAGAMI...
WHAT A BRO...

HUH?
ANOTHER ONE?


Looks like I gave you a hard time just now I want you to know that I support you
(I didn't mean to mock you)
So, DON'T LOSE-- ＼(｀Д´)／


Plus, a tip for ranking up in the survey.
I heard you can give a stress to the readers.
(push cliffhangers for several weeks, and solve it in the climax all at once)
Well, it's sort of juicing up...
Just let you know. ＼(^o^)／

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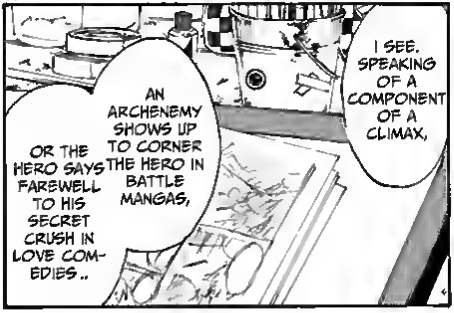
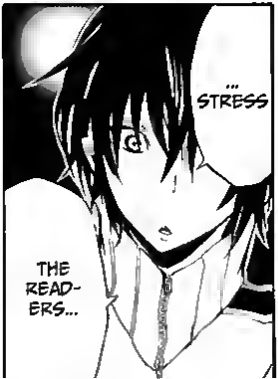

I SEE. SPEAKING OF A COMPONENT OF A CLIMAX,
AN ARCHENEMY SHOWS UP TO CORNER THE HERO IN BATTLE MANGAS,
OR THE HERO SAYS FAREWELL TO HIS SECRET CRUSH IN LOVE COMEDIES..


...STRESS
THE READERS...

AND WHEN I RELIEVE ALL THE STRESS AT ONCE,
LIKE, DEFEATING THE ARCHENEMY IN A FLAMBOYANT
OR CLOSING THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM, AND READERS WILL BE THRILLED BEYOND.
NOT TO MENTION ANXIETY (UP TO THAT POINT)

IT HAS TO BE THE HERO WHO GET IN TROUBLE.
BUT THE PART WINNING READERS IS A CHITCHAT WITH THE HEROINE.

THE PROBLEM IS, HOW TO PUT ALL THAT IN MY MANGA...
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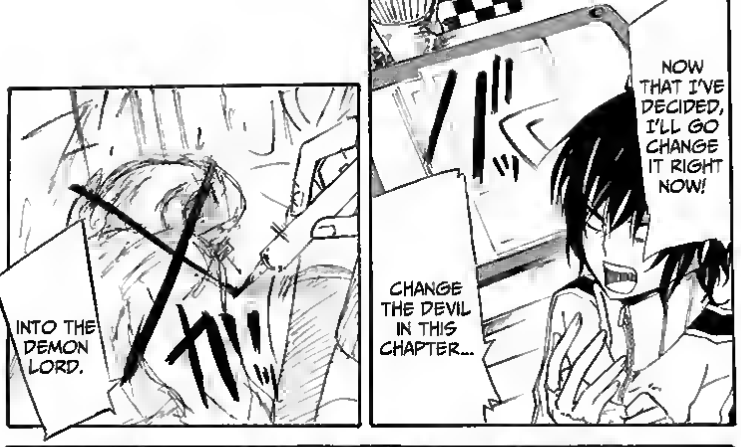
AH...

A STRONG ENEMY OR HURDLE NEVER SEEN BEFORE BEFALLS ON THE HERO OR THE HEROINE...
IT HAS TO BE SOMETHING THAT CAN SHOCK THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF AND READERS ALIKE.
NO, IT'S OBVIOUS, AND TOO UNIMPRESSIVE.
THEN, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF HER... HOW ABOUT THE HEROINE LOSING TO THE ARCHENEMY...?
パラ
パラ
パラ

KILL
THE
HERO-
INE?

NO, BUT THIS IS AWESOME!
NO ONE CAN IMAGINE NINA WILL JUST DROP DEAD RIGHT HERE.
RIGHT, IF I HAVE TO KILL HER, I'LL RAISE THE MOOD,
NO... THE ONE KILLING NINA HAS TO SOME-ONE ELSE, NOT THIS SMALL FRY...
SO HARU, SWEPT IN FURY, WILL GET SUPER AWAKEN!
AND THEY'LL ADVANCE TO THE FINAL BATTLE.
LAST BOSS
THE DEMON LORD.


NOW THAT I'VE DECIDED, I'LL GO CHANGE IT RIGHT NOW!
CHANGE THE DEVIL IN THIS CHAPTER...
INTO THE DEMON LORD.

AH... BUT I HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT THE CHARACTER DESIGN YET.
HMPH- IF I GET DOWN TO IT NOW, I'LL BE RUNNING OUT OF TIME..
.....

SHOW A SILHOUETTE OF HIM IN THIS CHAPTER!
TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK!!
A WEEKLY MAG IS CONVENIENT FOR THIS SORT OF COVER-UP!!

I'LL MAKE AN UNHEARD-OF CLIMAX.
I'LL GIVE YOU THE BEST PLACE TO DIE.
SHOOT- IT'S GETTING INTERESTING ALL OF A SUDDEN.
EVEN THOUGH YOU'VE NEVER STOOD OUT...
20
AND FINISH IT WITH A NEW ARC THAT WILL SHUT THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF AND READERS...
ALIKE-

HUH ?!
SHIT...
INK...
NO WAY.
FUCK... MY ARM...
WH AA AT !?
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON?
THE MANGA ...

AH!

...I DON'T GET IT WHAT'S HAPPENING?
YES, IT'S A DREAM. LOOK, IT WAS PAST TWO O' CLOCK IN THE MORNING, AND I'VE BEEN OBSESSED WITH WORKING LATELY,
SO IT MUST BE DREAM. IT SHOULD BE...

NO DOUBT ...
ABOUT IT...

WHAT- MY MANGA'S HEROINE IS IN FRONT OF MY EYES-?
THIS MUST BE A DREAM, DETECTIVE*!!
* A PARODY OF CASE CLOSED A.K.A DETECTIVE CONAN
A LOT OF CONAN PARODY NOWADAYS. I HOPE THEY DO KINDAICH NEXT TIME...
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IT'S SO REAL DE-SPITE BEING A DREAM. AS IF I CAN TOUCH...
BY THE WAY, IS IT WHAT FEELS LIKE NINA IN REAL LIFE?
I SEE, I DOZED OFF OUT OF EX-CITEMENT.
SO I'M DREAMING OF MY MANGA... THAT MUST BE IT!
HER

GWAA HHH!?

HOW BOLD OF YOU! THAT YOU TRANS-FORMED INTO A MAN
NO! YOU'RE MISTAK-EN!
...W... I SEE... YOU MUST BE THE DEVIL.

WHO ARE YOU? WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?
MY EYES- MY EYES, NO, FUCK, MY FA-CEEEEE!!

WHAT?
I-I... WELL ..AM A RANDOM STRANGER WHO IS LOST...

YOU SHOWED UP OUT OF NO-WHERE AND SUD-DENLY TOUCHED ..
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WHAT HAPPENED, NINA?
あぁん
あぁん
あぁん
BUT I WASN'T EXPECTING THAT REACTION ARRRRGH!!
HOW CAN A RANDOM STRANGER SUDDENLY APPEAR AND GROPE MY BREASTS!!
DIE DIE DIE DIE HUNDRED TIMES!

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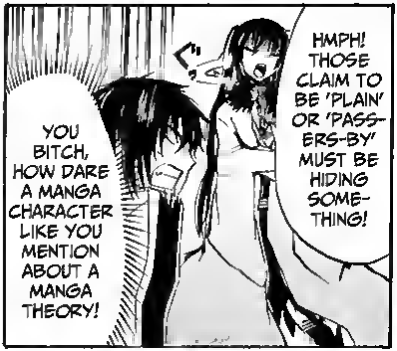
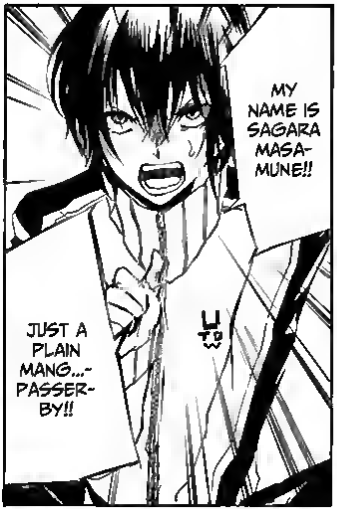
SO

Rock
I SAID IT OVER AND OVER.
WHO REALLY ARE YOU?


HMPH! THOSE CLAIM TO BE 'PLAIN' OR 'PASSERS-BY' MUST BE HIDING SOMETHING!
YOU BITCH, HOW DARE A MANGA CHARACTER LIKE YOU MENTION ABOUT A MANGA THEORY!


MY NAME IS SAGARA MASAMUNE!!
Uh
JUST A PLAIN MANG...- PASSER-BY!!

SPEAKING OF WHICH.

HOW CAN A PLAIN PASSER-BY APPEAR IN THIS ABANDONED CHURCH ALL OF A SUDDEN?
...TH-THAT'S...

CRAP- WHY DO I HAVE TO BE INTERRO- GATED BY MY OWN CREATION!
YOU'RE WEARING SOME STRANGE CLOTHING.
I HAVEN'T HEARD A STRANGE NAME SUCH AS 'SAGARA MASAMUNE'
YOU'RE SO PERSISTENT! TO ME, YOU'RE THE STRANGE PEOPLE!
WHAT?
AH, I DON'T WANT ANY OF THIS ANYMORE. WAKE UP FROM THIS DREAM, ME!!!!

CALM DOWN, CALM DOWN... BUT YOU'RE RIGHT.
WE COULD LOOK STRANGE ENOUGH.
...OR WE'RE FAR MORE STRANGE.
BECAUSE WE'RE... EXORCISTS.
IT IS OUR DESTINED CALLING TO "DELETE" THE DEMON LORD PLOTTING THE DESTRUCTION OF THE WORLD, AND DEMONS BORN FROM HIM.
WE'VE COME HERE ON A MISSION TODAY.
SO... PLEASE FORGIVE US FOR SOME SKEPTCISM.

...
YES, AND THIS IS WHAT PEOPLE CALL US
...
ANYWAYS, THESE GUYS CAN SAY THEIR SELF-INTRODUCTION WITHOUT ANY RESERVATION.
LIKE THOSE HOOP PEOPLE IN RPGS?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR EXPLANATION, NO, IT SOUNDS SO CLICHE TO HEAR IT DIRECTLY FROM HIM.
THIS HALF-ASSED SETTING.
THE DISTRUCTION OF THE WORLD OR THE DEMON LORD CRAP.
I CRAMMED ALL THOSE INTO A JUMBLE. NO WONDER IT'S NOT POPULAR.

!?
THE DARK CRUSADERS.

...IT COULD BE.
BUT WHY DO YOU DECIDE THERE IS NONE OF THEM?
AH...WOW~ EXORCISTS ARE COOL.
BUT YOU SEE, THOSE DEMONS MUST BE JUST THOSE PEOPLE'S IMAGINATION.

JUST WHO ARE YOU...
ざわ...
HOW DID YOU KNOW THE POSE ONLY KNOWN TO THE DARK CRUSADERS.
OOPS!!
IT SLIPPED!
ざわ...

WHAT PEOPLE IMAGINE
COME TRUE IN REALITY, SAGARA.

I SHOULD CONTACT HQ FIRST...
...? OUT OF REACH?

.....
WELL, AS I WAS SAYING, WE HAVE OUR OWN CIRCUMSTANCES, SO WE CAN'T JUST LET YOU GO .

SORRY, NINA. I'LL ENTRUST HIM TO YOU FOR A MOMENT.
I'LL MAKE A CALL WHEN I'M OUTSIDE
ROGER.

...IF YOU ARE DIAGNOSED AS A DEVIL AFTER WE CONTACT HQ...
I'LL DELETE YOU IN 0.2 SECOND, SO BE READY.
GEH... YOU CAN RUN YOUR MOUTH, BUT YOU'RE THE ONE TO DIE
JUST WAIT. I'LL STAGE YOUR DEATH FANTASTICALLY.

YOU!!

WATCH OUT-
ドドド
...WAIT.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING. ARE YOU DUMB?
I'M NOT WEAK ENOUGH TO BE PROTECTED BY A COMMONER.
SHUD DUP...

I REAL LY...
COULDN'T LET YOU
DIDN'T MEAN TO SAVE YOU- I JUST...
DIE IN THIS PLACE... THAT'S... IT.

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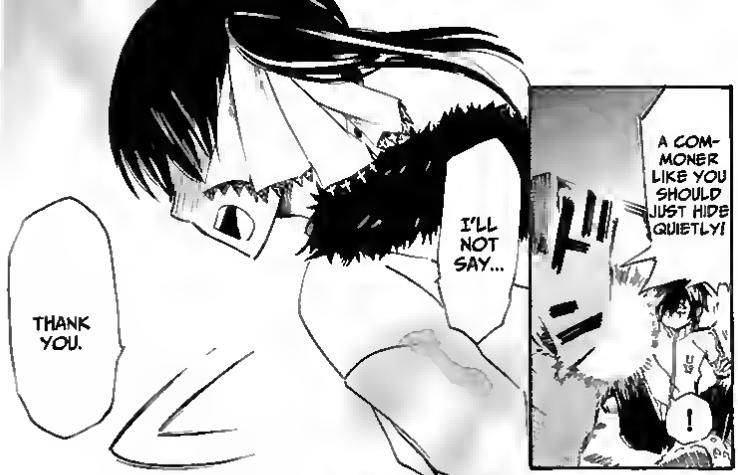
...ARE... AREN'T YOU STUPID?!
EVEN WITH-OUT YOUR HELP, I'M NOT GOING TO DIE!


A COMMONER LIKE YOU SHOULD JUST HIDE QUIETLY!
I'LL NOT SAY...
THANK YOU.
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WHAT A TYPICAL TSUNDERE...
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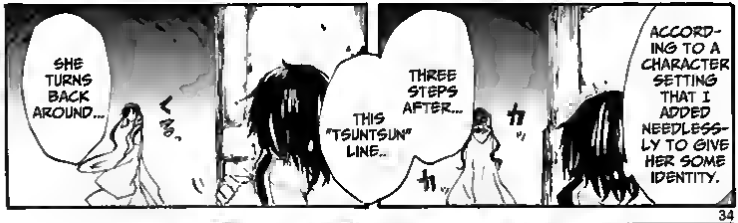
ACCORDING TO A CHARACTER SETTING THAT I ADDED NEEDLESSLY TO GIVE HER SOME IDENTITY.
THREE STEPS AFTER...
THIS "TSUNTSUN" LINE..
SHE TURNS BACK AROUND...

YOU IDIOT~
WOAHHH! SHE REALLY SAID IT-!! THIS COMEDY EVEN IN A THRILLING SCENE LIKE NOW.

AH, IT'S REALLY PISSING ME OFF!
THAT THIS LEVEL OF DEVIL GOT ME FROM BEHIND.
IT CAME BACK AT A LOUD NOISE
AW, IT'S REALLY SOMETHING

DON'T GET PERSONAL.
I'LL DELETE HIM WITHOUT ANY TRACE.
KILLING IT A HUNDRED TIMES CAN ONLY AVENGE MY ANGER!
I'LL DELETE YOU WITHOUT ANY TRACE BEHIND, WITH ALL MY POWER!

ROSARIO
UNCHAINED
WOW...
HARU'S TENSION CHANGED... I GUESS HE'S IN THE AWAKENED MODE.

SFX:TURN
?
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SHUT UP!
JUST FIGHT SERIOUSLY!!
RIGHT...AND PEOPLE CALL MEN OF GOD, ROSARIO MASTERS!!
WHILE YOU'RE BLABBERING SOME NONSENSE, THE ENEMY'S...
LET ME EXPLAIN THIS: A SPECIAL ABILITY THAT ONLY A FEW EXORCIST HAVE, IT'S GOD'S BLESSING!
NO, I DON'T NEED YOU EXPLANATION!
I KNOW I'M THE AUTHOR!
.....
WAITTIING!!
A DEVIL WHO CAN TELL THE ATMOSPHERE [MOOD], HEY YOU!
MY MANGA'S FULL OF HOLES!!

EAT THIS...

MARIA LECRIMA, HOLY MARY'S TEAR!!

BUT IT'S WAY MORE THAN MERE TEARS!!!
I KNOW I NAMED IT, AND I HATE TO ADMIT...

FUFU... WASY, SO EAS-
!?

NOT AGAIN!!
SHOOT...
A SHADOW?
..W-WAS IT...
!!?
C'MON NINA!
TAKE HIS LIFE!!
NOW!
HAVE AN OPENING AT YOUR FEET.
GEEZ, YOU'RE ALWAYS SHORT OF FINISHING IT OFF, NINA!
BY THE WAY, MISTER ENEMY, YOU ALSO...

ETERNAL PEACE TO YOUR SOUL.
AMEN.

OH, I'M FINALLY GETTING A SIGNAL.
GOTTA TELL 'EM "MISSION COMPLETE".

UWAH-HAHAHA, THEY CLEANED SUCH A STUPID BATTLE, WITH LITERALLY A SINGLE STRIKE.
WOW, AWE-SOME.
AH-HELLO
THIS IS HARU ...

NO, SHIT, WAIT. A CHAPTER IS COMPLETE, CASE CLOSED,
BUT THERE'S NO SIGN THAT I'LL EVER WAKE UP FROM THIS DREAM!! NO WAY...

IT
HURTS?
I'VE HAD IT ENOUGH. I JUST WANT TO WAKE UP AND GO THE HOSPITAL...
SHOOT... IS THIS REAL? BUT IT FREAKING HURTS...
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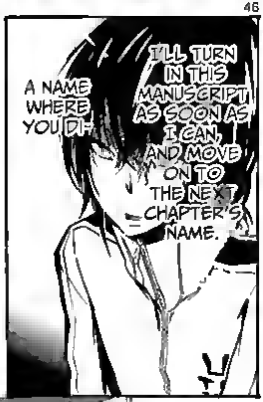
WHY DOES IT HURT? SHOOT!
BUT IT'S A DREAM, RIGHT? THEN-
SAGARA...
44
...HEY...
HOW CAN I SAY THIS...

THANK YOU...FOR WHAT YOU DIDJUST NOW.
AND I'M SORRY... FOR BEATING YOU.
H-HARU, I WONDER WHEN YOU'LL HANG UP.
.....
NO-NO-NO, WHY ARE YOU BLUSHING?
I DIDN'T SAVE YOU FOR THAT REASON AT ALL.

I'M GOING TO MAKE A STORY
RATHER, I WANT TO KILL YOU.
OF KILLING YOU.

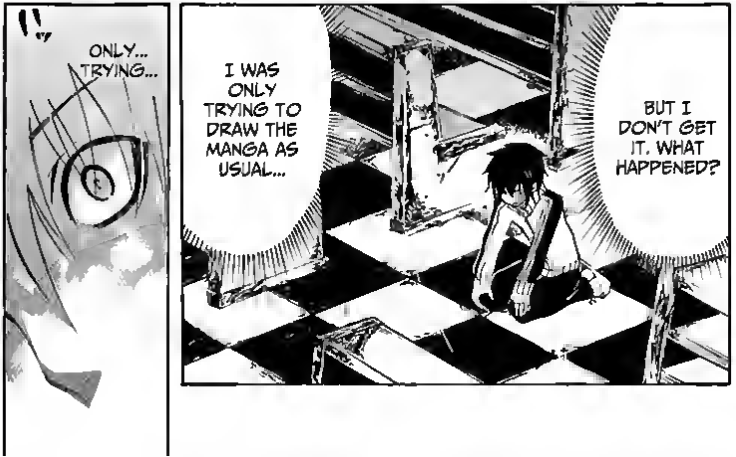
..HUH .? ISN'T IT ODD?
THIS CHAPTER ENDS WITH THE DEVILS DEFEAT...


A NAME WHERE YOU DI-
I'LL TURN IN THIS MANUSCRIPT AS SOON AS I CAN, AND MOVE ON TO THE NEXT CHAPTER'S NAME.

BUT WHY ARE THESE GUYS STILL MOVING AND TALKING ON THEIR OWN?
I'M SURE I DIDN'T DRAW THE NEXT PART,

THE STORY IS CONTINUED, REGARDLESS OF MY THOUGHTS?
AM I REALLY INSIDE THE MANGA?!
SCREW THIS CRAZY JOKE...
THIS IS A FREAKING MANGA...
...BUT...

AND GIVEN THEY ARE STILL MOVING AFTER THE SERIALIZED PART IS FINISHED...
I'M ACTUALLY FEELING THE PAIN...
I MUST ACCEPT THIS WORLD IS REAL,
OR IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE...!!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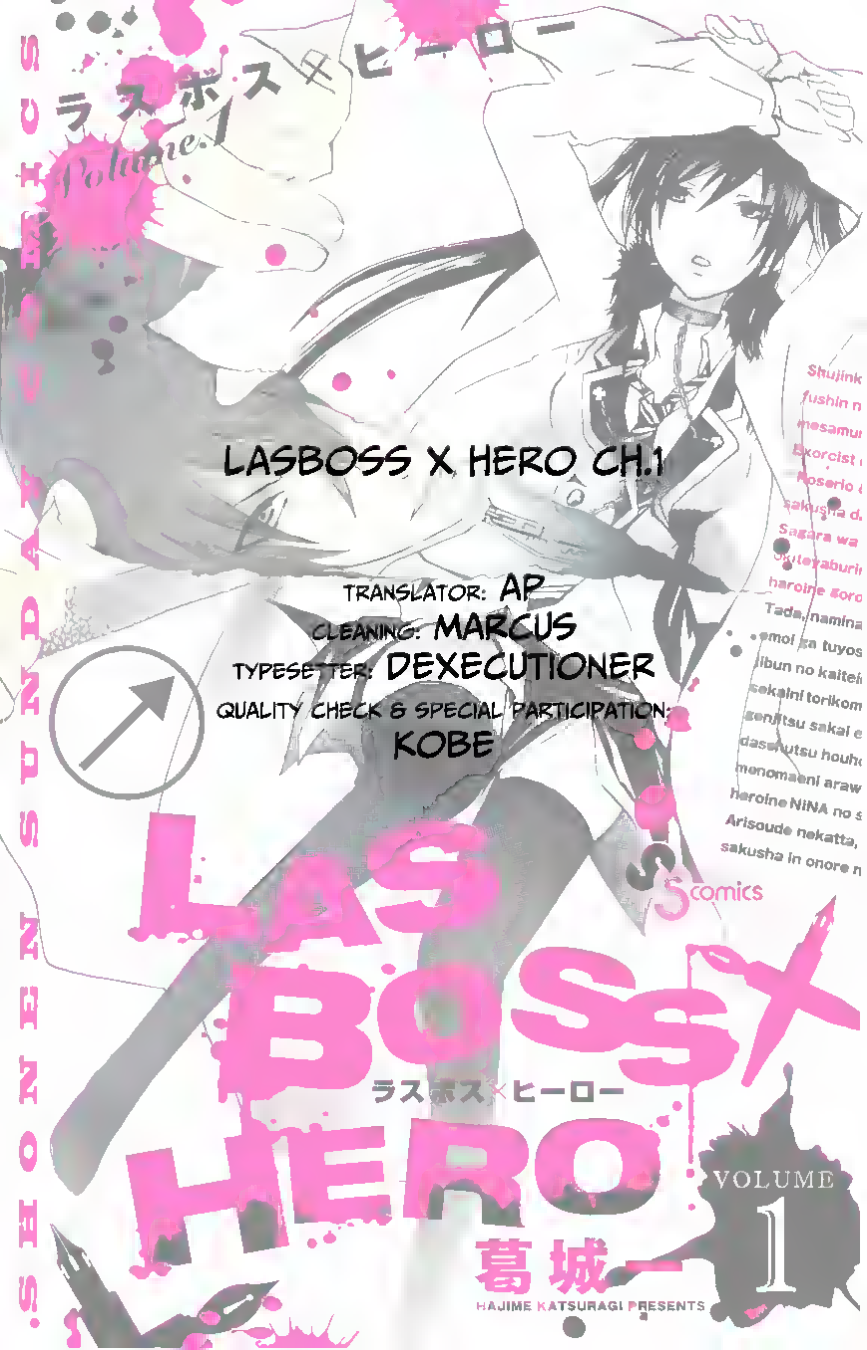
ONLY... TRYING...
I WAS ONLY TRYING TO DRAW THE MANGA AS USUAL...
BUT I DON'T GET IT. WHAT HAPPENED?

THIS MANGA IS HOPE-LESS
SHOULD I KILL THE HER-OINE?
FINISH IT CLEARLY- IT'S THE MANGAKA'S DUTY.
I'LL GIVE YOU THE BEST PLACE TO DIE.
I'LL FINISH IT WITH A NEW ARC.

NO WAY.

I CAME TO THIS WORLD
TO FINISH THIS MANGA!?
IN OTHER WORDS,
NO... WAIT A SECOND.
GIVEN THE FLOW UP TO THIS POINT, FINISHING THIS MANGA MEANS...

I HAVE TO
KILL NINA!?
OR I WON'T BE ABLE TO LEAVE THIS MANGA??
■嘘かどうかは次号を確認してみてね!!
THIS IS A JOKE
ISN'T IT?
OH GOD, PLEASE SAVE ME!
KYAH~ WHAT! SAGARA SUDDENLY FELL DOWN.
YOU'RE RIGHT I GUESS HE BLED NEARLY TO DEATH, ALL THANKS TO YOU, NINA...
SH-SHUT UP! GET HIM A DOCTOR NOW!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SUMMARY
[OF THE LAST EPISODE]
[illegible]HARA MASAMUNE, (CLASS: UNPOPULAR ARTIST) WHO FELT HE HIT THE LIMIT OF HIS SERIALIZATION,
DECIDED TO WRAP IT UP FABULOUSLY
AND WHAT HE CONCEIVED WAS-
A PLOT IN WHERE THE HEROINE DIES.
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I'M NOW IN THE WORLD OF THIS MANGA-
BUT I WONDER IF MY HEART WAS TOO INTO THIS PLOT... ANYWAYS,
WHERE I HAVE TO KILL HER WITH MY OWN HANDS!!
第2話：殺ってやる
HONESTLY, I'M NOT GETTING IT.

CHAPTER 2: I WILL KILL YOU.

HOW CAN I KILL NINA?
I DON'T KNOW EITHER ¥(^o^)/
I GOTTA FOLLOW THEM FIRST
SO
THAT'S HOW MUCH I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS SITUATION!
IF THIS WERE A MANGA STORY, HOW MANY READER WOULD FOLLOW IT?
3
LIGHTLY CONFUSED, I'M LETTING MYSELF GO WITH THE FLOW...
OR MORE LIKE...
OUCH!
THIS SITUA-TION...
SFX: SQUEEZE
GET UP, SAGARA!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?

THE HEROINE OF MY MANGA『ROSARIO X MASTER』...
RIGHT, HARU?
...HUH? WHAT?
HERO HARU (CLASS: EXORCIST)
NINA (CLASS: EXORCIST)
ANY STRANGE MOVES, AND WE'LL FINISH YOU OFF RIGHT ON THE SPOT!
YOU AREN'T CLEARED OF SUSPICION FOR BEING A DEVIL YET!
DON'T "WHAT" ME! GEEZ, PAY ATTENTION TO ME!
I'M SORRY, BUT I'VE ALREADY HEARD THE SAME SPEECH FIVE TIMES, SO I'M TIRED OF IT.

AND ME, WHO IS BEING HAULED AROUND BY MY OWN CHARACTERS.
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HOW PATHETIC...
...

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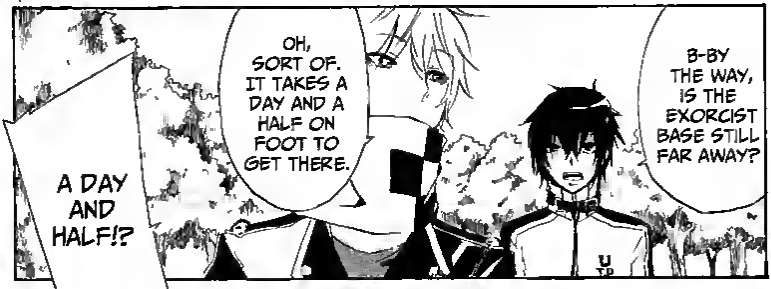
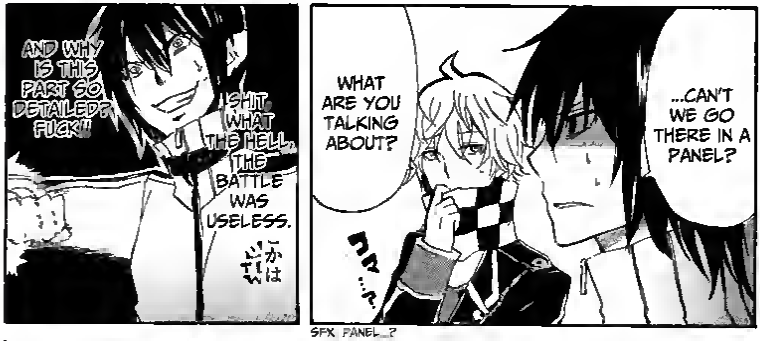
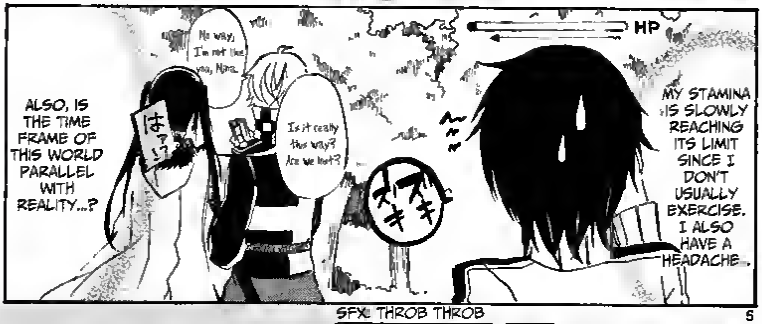
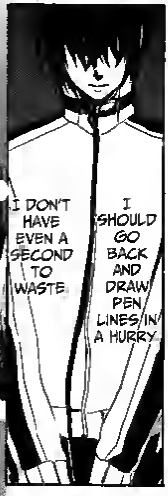

B-BY THE WAY, IS THE EXORCIST BASE STILL FAR AWAY?
OH, SORT OF. IT TAKES A DAY AND A HALF ON FOOT TO GET THERE.
A DAY AND HALF!?

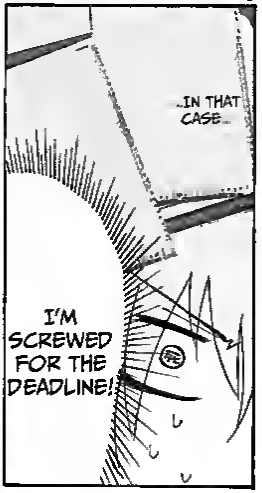

AND WHY IS THIS PART SO DETAILED? FUCK!!
SHIT, WHAT THE HELL. THE BATTLE WAS USELESS.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
...CAN'T WE GO THERE IN A PANEL?

SFX: PANEL...?


No way! I'm not like you, Nina.
Is it really this way? Are we lost?
ALSO, IS THE TIME FRAME OF THIS WORLD PARALLEL WITH REALITY...?
HP
MY STAMINA IS SLOWLY REACHING ITS LIMIT SINCE I DON'T USUALLY EXERCISE. I ALSO HAVE A HEADACHE...

SFX: THROB THROB





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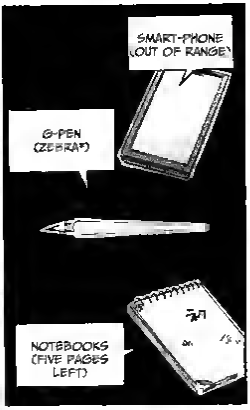
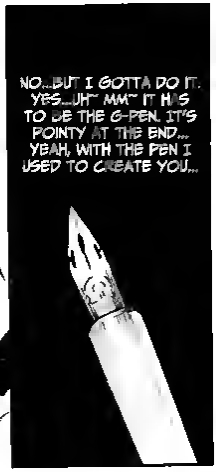
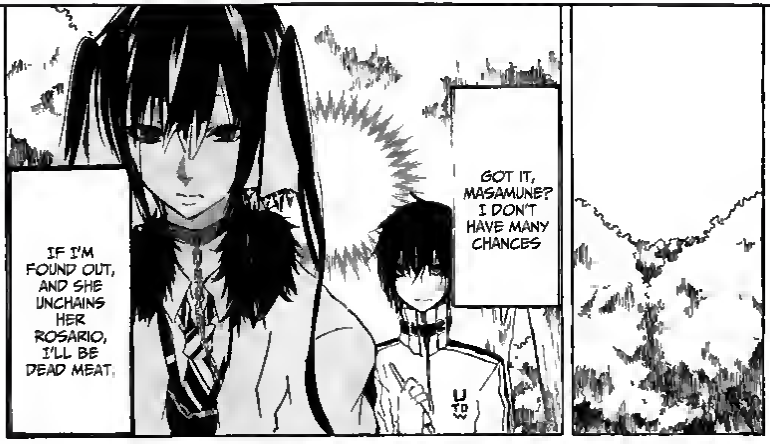
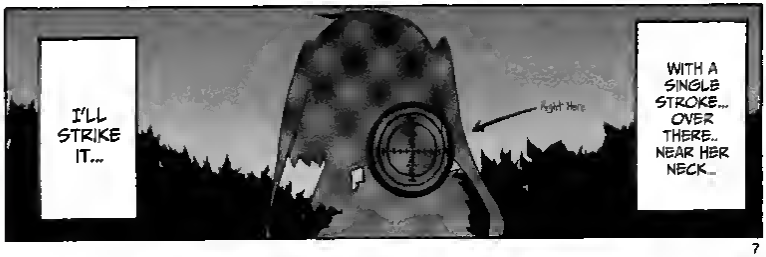




DON'T TRY THIS AT HOME OR ANYWHERE ※


GOT IT, MASAMUNE? I DON'T HAVE MANY CHANCES
IF I'M FOUND OUT, AND SHE UNCHAINS HER ROSARIO, I'LL BE DEAD MEAT.


I'LL STRIKE IT...
Right Here
WITH A SINGLE STROKE... OVER THERE.. NEAR HER NECK...

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IT'S YOUR FAULT SPACING OUT.
GEH-GEH.. WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING...

SECOND TIME!!

I'M LEAVING YOU TWO BEHIND~
WHAT?! TREATING YOU LIKE A PUPPY WOULD BE AN HONOR!
YOU THINK I'M A PUPPY?!
BESIDES, I WAS TOO IMMERSED IN THINKING TO GET ALL SARCASTIC ABOUT THIS, BUT WHAT'S WITH THIS LEASH?

WHAT AN AWFUL CHARACTER I CREATED
BUT THIS IS RATHER BETTER FOR ME NOW
YOU BITCH!
IT'S YOU WHO SAID "I REALLY DIDN'T MEAN TO SAVE YOU" RETARD..
TSK, I SAVED YOUR LIFE, AND YOU BETRAYED MY KINDNESS...
THE LESS GUILTY I'D FEEL...
THE MORE ANNOYING YOU ARE
ABOUT
KILLING
YOU.

AH.
UH...AH... WELL, THAT'S RIGHT!
.....
THAT'S INCREDIBLE, SAGARA! TO HIT A BEE WITH A SINGLE STROKE.
...AH...
Y-YEAH...
I-I'M GLAD YOU DIDN'T GET STUNG!!
...BEE...?
SFX. BEES ARE SCARY!
SFX. BUZZ

UH-OH...?
UH...
おおおお
……
スッ
I'LL KILL HER
ゴ!!!
MY SHOE
FOR REAL,
THIS TIME,
カ
ONE MORE TIME!
HEY, HARU,
10
?
はーはーはー
I COULDN'T EVEN NICK HER.
SFX: HA HA HA
NEXT TIME, I'LL GET HER FOR SURE!
THEN, I'LL GET HER WHEN SHE STILL!!
SHE MOVES AROUND SO NIMBLY...
WHY CAN'T I HIT HER... IS MY INSTICT SO TERRIBLE?

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WHY~ DID YOU GET LOST?
I FOUND A CAT HERE!!
WAH~

SFX. KYAA~ :3

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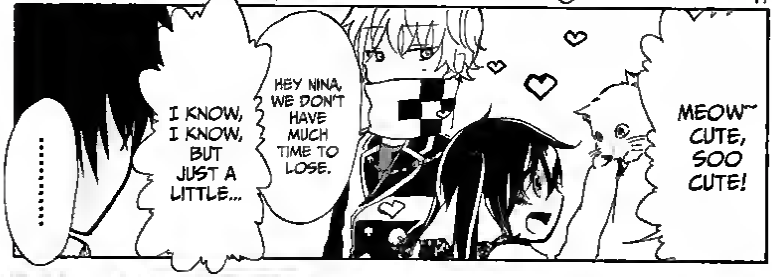
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I KNOW, I KNOW, BUT JUST A LITTLE...
HEY NINA, WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME TO LOSE.
MEOW~ CUTE, SOO CUTE!

THIS IS MY CHANCE!

YOU SHOULD ALSO TAKE A LOOK!
SHE'S SO CUTE ♡
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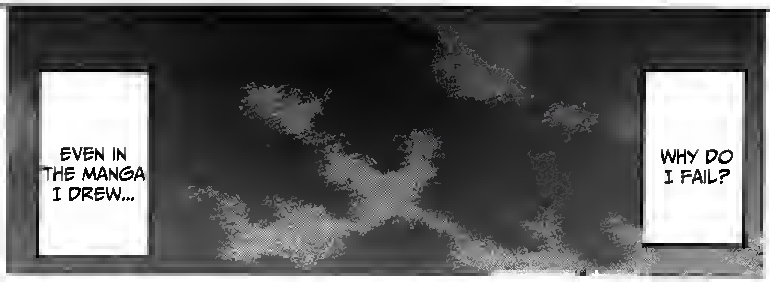
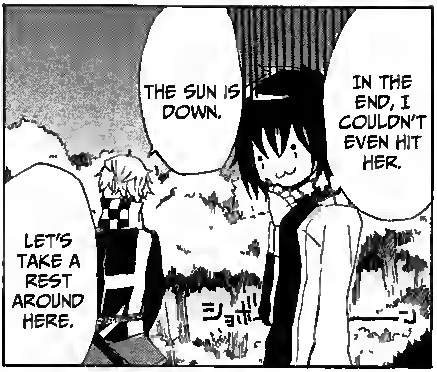
SFX: BA-THUMP
...UH...
UH.. YOU'RE RIGHT..
WHAT'S WITH YOUR UBER SUBDUED REAC-TION?
IT'S 'CAUSE YOU SUDDENLY TURNED TOWARD ME! NEVER MIND!
WHAT AN IDIOT I AM! WHY DID I GET EXCITED AT SUCH A COMMON-PLACED TRICK
NO, IT'S ALL BECAUSE I'M PRONE TO 3-D WOMEN.
BYE, BYE ♡
WAIT, WHO AM I EXPLAINING ALL THIS TO? SHIT!!


EVEN IN THE MANGA I DREW...
WHY DO I FAIL?

REST.. A CAMPING!?
NO WAY.


THE SUN IS DOWN.
IN THE END, I COULDN'T EVEN HIT HER.
LET'S TAKE A REST AROUND HERE.

WHAT A SILLY DEVEL-OPMENT
TADA, SEE THE INN OVER THERE?
YADOYA

I REMEMBER IT SOME-WHERE
...HUH. THIS INN LOOKS LIKE ONE YOU WOULD FIND IN RPGS

DOYA
WHAT GIVES, SAGARA?
...N-NOTHING
YADOYA
REST: 3800 YEN
STAY: 5000 YEN
* A JAPANESE CHAIN OF MODEST INNS

THAT'S RIGHT! LET'S JUST DRAW IT IN THE BACK-GROUND!
DON'T YOU FIND IT FUNNY THAT THERE ARE INNS IN A FOREST OR ON A MOUNTAIN IN AN RPG?
YOU'RE MEAN CLAUDIA.
OH, THE CASTLE-LIKE ONES? I FEEL THE SAME WAY
THIS MUST BE IT! IT'S WHAT I DRAW IN THE HEAT OF THE EARLY MORNING!!

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WELCOME.
THEN...
AS I LET MY IMAGINA-TION RUN WILD
GOOD EVENING.
...THE INSIDE WOULD BE LIKE-
GUESS WHAT? I CAME TO STAY HERE-

WILL YOU HAVE A SINGLE TONIGHT, SIR?
SHUDDUP, YOU OLD HAG!
Three of us
...WE WANT TO STAY
AH, SURE YOU CAN.
HUH ?!
I'LL TELL YOU NOW, I'M PEN-NILESS!
OH-
YOU DON'T NEED PAY.
WHAT?! BUT THE SIGN OUT THERE SAID..
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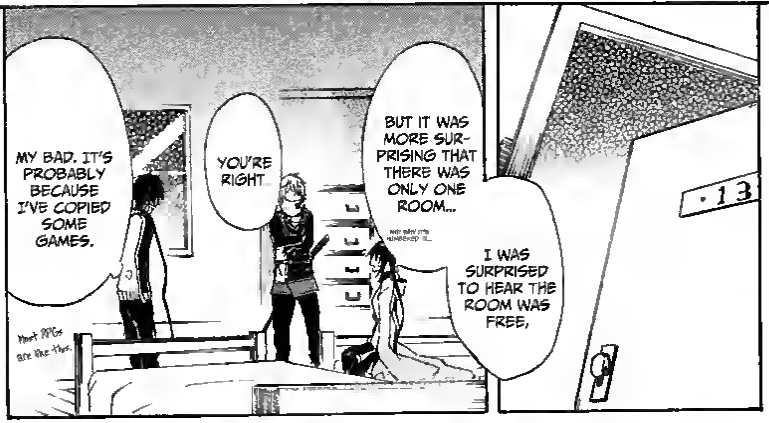
YOU DON'T NEED TO PAY.
...SO INSTEAD...
THEN, I'LL TAKE YOU TO THE ROOM.
WHAT ARE YOU PLOT-TING, YOU HAG?!


MY BAD. IT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE I'VE COPIED SOME GAMES.
YOU'RE RIGHT.
BUT IT WAS MORE SURPRISING THAT THERE WAS ONLY ONE ROOM...
I WAS SURPRISED TO HEAR THE ROOM WAS FREE,
Most RPGs are like that.
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ON THE OTHER HAND, THIS PLOT WAS REJECTED, AND THAT HAG...DIDN'T SEEM LIKE AN ORDINARY PERSON...
BUT...HOW SHOULD I REACT TO THIS DEVELOPMENT? IT'S NOT GOING TO BAD...FOR ME...

WHY THE HELL?!
WHY ARE THERE A LOAD OF MEN'S SHIRTS?
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SFX: NO PANTS

I FEEL SOMETHING MIGHT HAPPEN ...
YOU GOT ANY CHANGE OF CLOTHES?
CAN'T SLEEP IN THESE CLOTHES, THEY'RE TOO UNCOMFORTABLE.
HMPH...

ENOUGH WITH YOU OLD HAG. SHUDDUP!
IT'S MY PREFERENCE.

..THEY FELL ASLEEP AS IF NOTHING HAP-PENED.
...I DON'T EVEN HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE A SARCASTIC REMARK.
NOTE
I'D EXPECT NO LESS FROM THE MANGA I CREATED. IT FINALLY ACTS CON-VENIENTLY FOR ME.
THIS TIME...
I WON'T MAKE ANY MISTAKES
!?
OPEN

SFX: CREAK

THE GRANDMA... NO, WHY IS SHE HERE?

...AW...
YOU'RE FAST ASLEEP, MISS.

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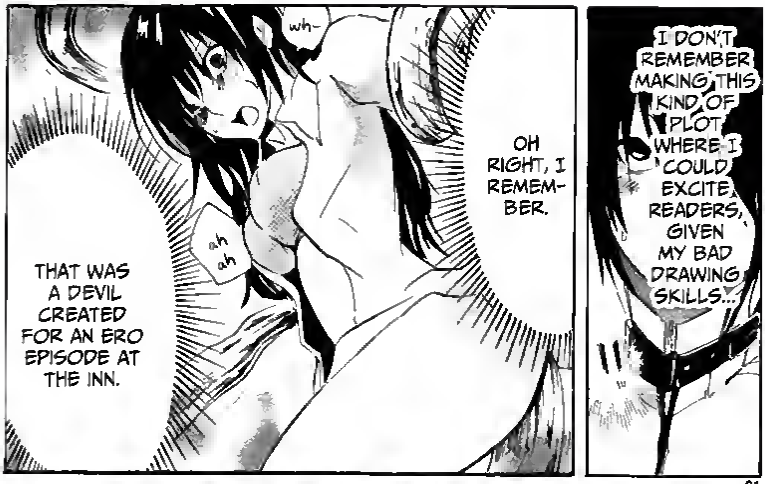
!?

EXOR-CIST
KILL YOU...

FOR THE SAKE OF THE DEMON LORD'S SACRED OBJECTIVE,
I SHALL...

HERE
AND
NOW
DEVIL
!!?
!!

KYA AAA HH!!
!?
WH- WH- WHAT THE FUCK!!
DON'T FREAKING JOKE WITH ME! THIS GENRE IS TOTALLY WRONG!
hng...
ah...

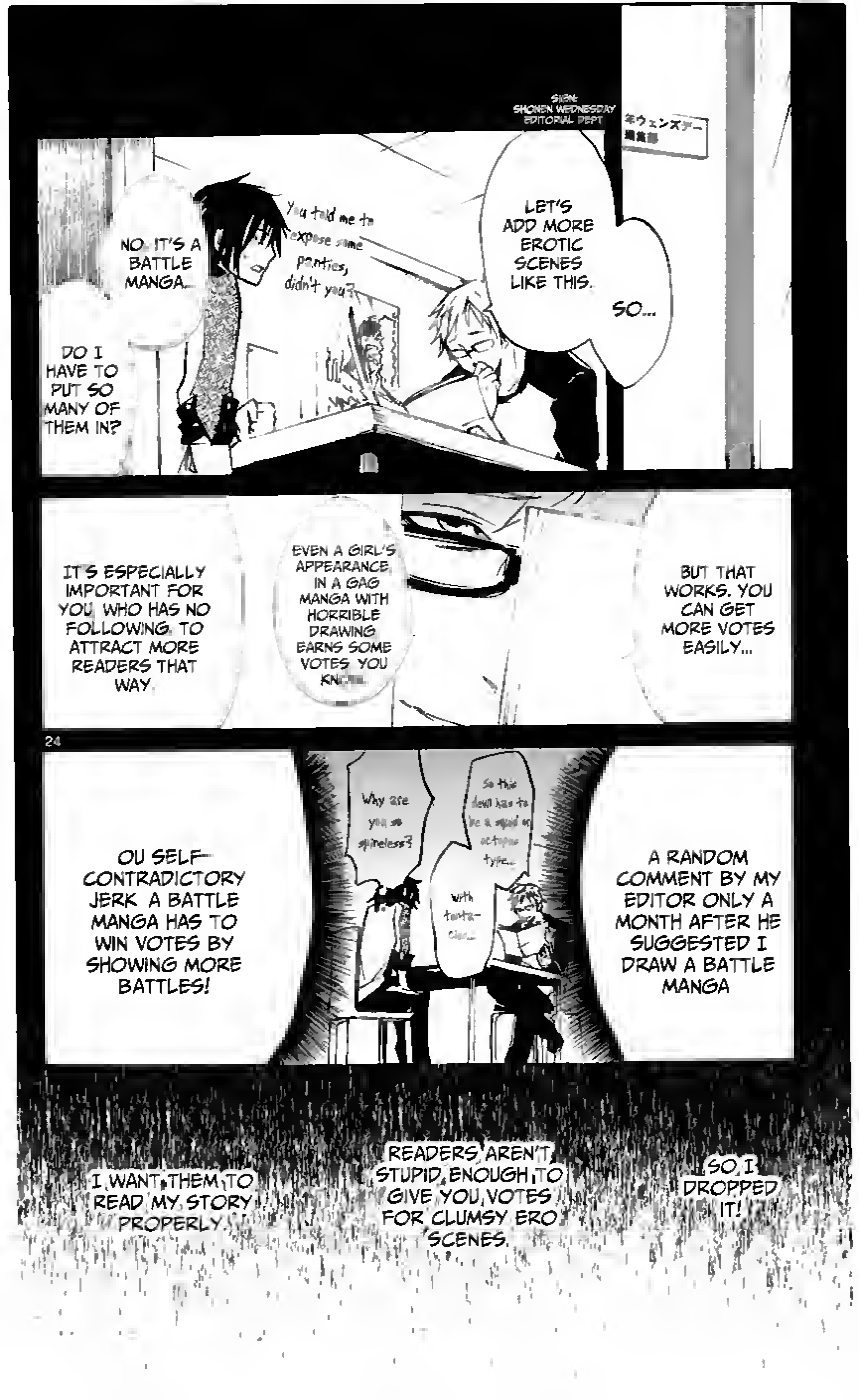

wh-
oh
ah
OH RIGHT, I REMEMBER.
THAT WAS A DEVIL CREATED FOR AN ERO EPISODE AT THE INN.
I DON'T REMEMBER MAKING THIS KIND OF PLOT WHERE I COULD EXCITE READERS, GIVEN MY BAD DRAWING SKILLS...

THE INN EPISODE ITSELF GOT REJECTED, SO THEN WENT THIS DEVIL, TOO...
MORE THAN HALF OF IT WAS PAST TRAUMA, SO I PRACTICALLY ERASED IT FROM MY MIND.
.....
...ALSO,

...uuhh,
ah... ah...
not there...
WEIRD, WEIRD, IT'S FREAK-ING WEIRD, ISN'T IT?!
THE DEVIL SAID "I WILL KILL YOU," BUT ALL HE'S DOING IS MOLESTING HER!
HIS ATTACK IS SIMPLY WRONG!

IF YOU GO TOO FAR, IT'LL GET FILTERED BY REVIEWS!!
It's a manga-ryuuzai!
MORE-OVER, WHY DON'T YOU STRIKE BACK, NINA?
CAN'T SHE USE HER ROSARIO IN THAT POSE"?
UH, UH? UH, OH THEN

ISN'T IT TIME TO KILL HER?!
DID THIS INN EPISODE
WHY...
SHE'LL BE DEAD IN THE MANGA IF I RETURN TO REALITY...?
...BUT WAIT... IF NINA GETS KILLED HERE...
...GET REJECTED IN THE FIRST PLACE...?


SHINI: SHONEN WEDNESDAY EDITORIAL DEPT.
ウェンズデー編集部
LET'S ADD MORE EROTIC SCENES LIKE THIS.
SO...
You told me to expose some panties, didn't you?
NO. IT'S A BATTLE MANGA.
DO I HAVE TO PUT SO MANY OF THEM IN?
IT'S ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT FOR YOU, WHO HAS NO FOLLOWING, TO ATTRACT MORE READERS THAT WAY.
EVEN A GIRL'S APPEARANCE IN A GAG MANGA WITH HORRIBLE DRAWING EARNS SOME VOTES, YOU KNOW.
BUT THAT WORKS. YOU CAN GET MORE VOTES EASILY...
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OU SELF-CONTRADICTORY JERK. A BATTLE MANGA HAS TO WIN VOTES BY SHOWING MORE BATTLES!
Why are you so spineless?
So this devil has to be a squid or octopus type...
with tentacles...
A RANDOM COMMENT BY MY EDITOR ONLY A MONTH AFTER HE SUGGESTED I DRAW A BATTLE MANGA
I WANT THEM TO READ MY STORY PROPERLY.
READERS AREN'T STUPID ENOUGH TO GIVE YOU VOTES FOR CLUMSY ERO SCENES.
SO, I DROPPED IT!

...THIS PLOT IS A NO-GO.
IT WILL ONLY END IN A GAG!!
WITH A PLOT LIKE THIS,
I CAN'T LET YOU DIE, NINA!!

...SAGA RA...
CAN'T YOU ESCAPE BY YOURSELF, NINA!?

※ G-PEN
OH MY GOD!!

DAMN, YOU'RE RIGHT! WE'RE REALLY SCREWED!
I WOULD'VE DONE IT IF I COULD!!

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DON'T TELL ME HE'S STILL SLEEPING IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS BIG MESS...

AH...RIGHT, WHERE'S HARU!!
WHAT'S HE DOING?

SFX: SMIRK

NO WAY.
!!
C'MON. WASN'T IT VERY SUSPICIOUS THE ROOM BEING FREE OF CHARGE, OR THE OLD LADY'S BEHAVIOR?
I SAW IT COMING-
SFX. THUMBS UP!
SO, I WAS WAITING FOR A CHANCE OUTSIDE!!
RATHER, I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHY YOU HAD TO BREAK THE WINDOW WHEN YOU SHOWED UP.
HARU!!
LAND

SO I JUST ASSUMED YOU WERE ENJOYING THE TENTACLE PLAY, NINA.
BUT I THOUGHT YOU ALREADY KNEW ABOUT THE OLD LADY BEING A DEVIL,
YOU'RE VERY RIGHT
.. WHICH MEANS.. YOU WERE WATCHING ME GET MOLESTED ON THE SIDELINE...
28
SHUT THE HELL UP, AND GO DIE!
WHOA, WHAT A SHAME.
GEEZ, SO YOU DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE IT...
NO WAY!! ARE YOU DUMB? YOU'VE GOTTA BE DUMB!!
I KNOW!!
SCARY
H-HEY,
STOP FIGHTING, AND DO .. SOMETHING ABOUT THIS

I CAN HANDLE THIS SMALL FRY BY MYSELF!
AH, I'M SO PISSED OFF!
I'D HAVE TO KILL YOU HUNDREDS OF TIMES BEFORE I FEEL ANY BETTER!
ROSARIO
UNCHAINED
YOU KNOW TECHNICALLY SPEAKING, YOU CAN'T DO IT BY YOURSELF ANYMORE WHEN SAGARA AND I ALREADY HELPED YOU OUT!
DON'T SCREW WITH ME! I'LL KILL YOU!
YOU CAN HAVE THIS CONVERSATION IN THE PRESENCE OF AN ENEMY?
YOU GUYS...
SFX. HAHAHA

!!
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TOO BAD.
I'M NOT SO STUPID
TO FALL FOR THE SAME TRICK TWICE.

DON'T RECITE IT WHEN YOU'RE UPSET.
AMEN!!
ETERNAL PEACE TO YOUR SOUL!
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GEEZ...
WHAT A MORNING...
I'LL CHOKE YOU TO DEATH, HARU
GOOD ENOUGH TO CANCEL NINA'S INDECENT ACT LAST NIGHT...
DOYA 杜草っ
BUT YOU, AN EXORCIST OF ALL PEOPLE, GOT AIDED BY AN ORDINARY MAN LIKE SAGARA ONCE AGAIN-
IN THE END, SHE FINISHED IT OFF WITH A SINGLE SHOT..
UU....
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LOOK, THAT CHICK TOOK THE WHOLE IMPACT OF SUCH TENTACLE PLAY.
BUT SHE DIDN'T TAKE ANY DAMAGE - NOT EVEN A SIGN OF INJURIES.
CAN SHE REALLY DIE?!
AN INJURY OR DEATH FLAG IS AUTOMATICALLY AVOIDABLE, THANKS TO THE HEROINE'S PLOT ARMOR?
I DIDN'T REALLY MAKE SUCH A CHEAP SETTING, THOUGH. THEN...

IT WASN'T BECAUSE MY MANGA SUCKED..
WHY THE DEVIL DIED IN ONE SWING
WHY HARU CAME TO HER RESCUE AT THE RIGHT MOMENT.

I CAN ONLY GUESS..
BUT THE REASON WHY I COULDN'T KILL NINA..

WAS IT MORE LIKE NINA WASN'T ALLOWED TO DIE YET IN THE STORY?
AS IF. I CAN'T POSSIBLY STAB HER TO DEATH WITH MY G-PEN,
OR LET A MINION DEVIL THAT WAS REJECTED KILL HER... PLUS, IN THE FIRST PLACE

IF I KILL HER,
IT HAS TO BE THE MOST EXCITING PLOT.
IF I KILL HER-
IT NEEDS TO BE MUCH MORE THAN A PLAIN ENEMY OR A COMMON PLOT THAT KILLS NINA
I SAID IT MYSELF, DIDN'T I?

IT HAS TO BE THE DEMON LORD.

(THE LAST BOSS)

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I'M FULL OF WORRIES NOW..
WH- WHAT THE HECK..
YES, MA'AM!
SAGARA!!
TH-
SFX: CLICK
...HUH?
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何よその眼は
IT'S NOTHING LIKE THAT! DON'T GET IT WRONG, PLEASE!
AH...
THAT MEANS "YOU SAVED ME TWICE, SO I THINK I CAN TRUST YOU A LITTLE MORE."
SH-SHUT UP!
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...WHY ALL OF A SUDDEN? ACTUALLY, THIS DOG LEASH WAS MEANING-LESS SINCE YESTERDAY.
SFX: WHAT'S WITH YOUR LOOK!
BUT POSSIBLY, COULD MY ROLE BE..
...I'M ONLY GUESSING...
EEK, I WAS JOKING. IT'S RATHER YOU WHO ALWAYS-
WHY DO YOU ALWAYS SAY SOMETHING NEEDLESS, HARU!

TO THE FINAL STAGE...
LEADING THIS DUO WHO CHITCHAT ALL THE TIME,
WITHOUT THE LEAST SENSE OF DOOM,
SHOULD I, AS AN AUTHOR, URGE THEM TOWARDS THE DEMON LORD?
WHAT THE FUCK!?

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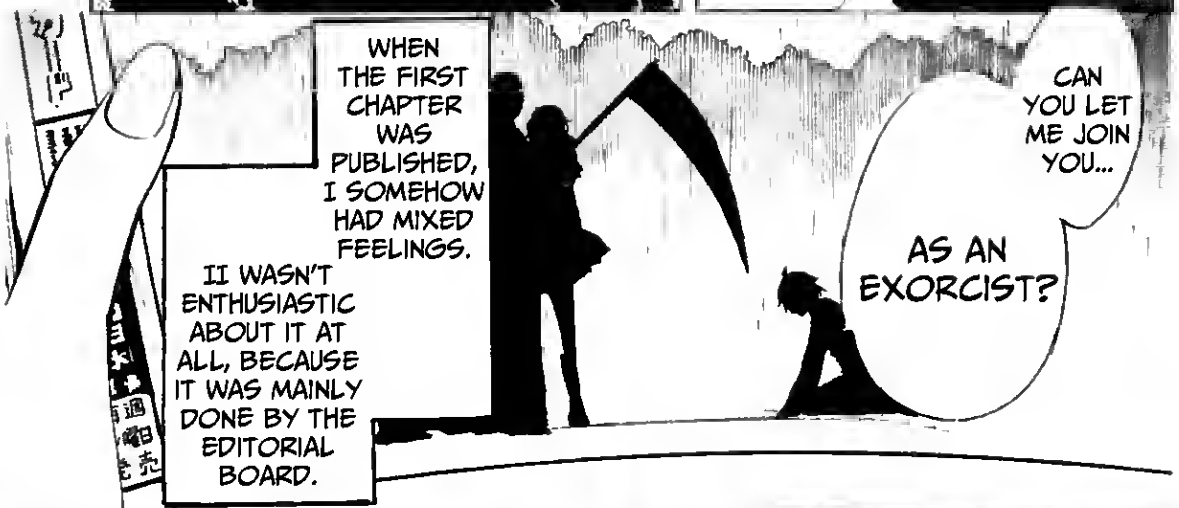
CAN YOU LET ME JOIN YOU...
AS AN EXORCIST?
WHEN THE FIRST CHAPTER WAS PUBLISHED, I SOMEHOW HAD MIXED FEELINGS.
II WASN'T ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT IT AT ALL, BECAUSE IT WAS MAINLY DONE BY THE EDITORIAL BOARD.

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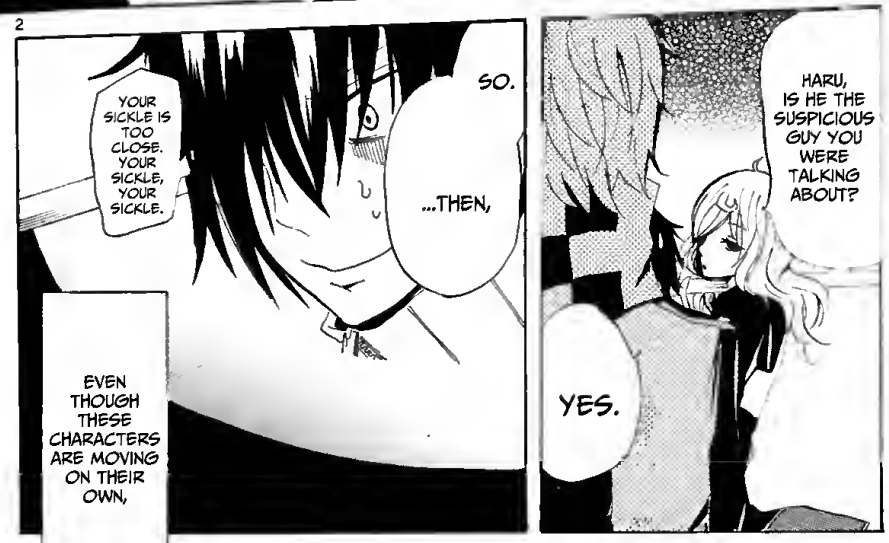

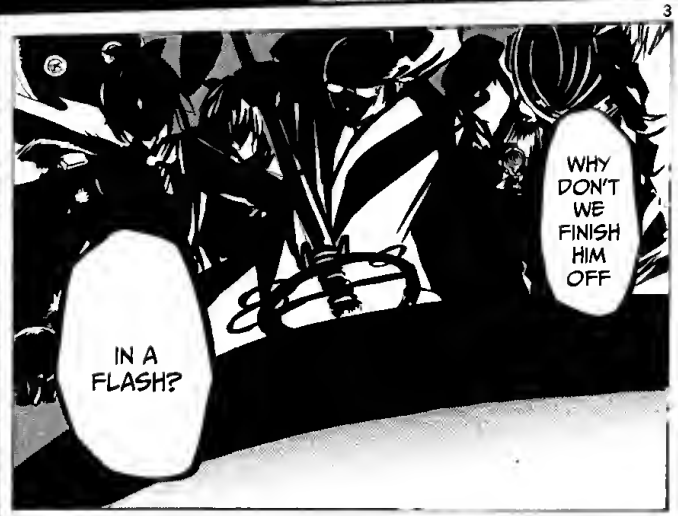

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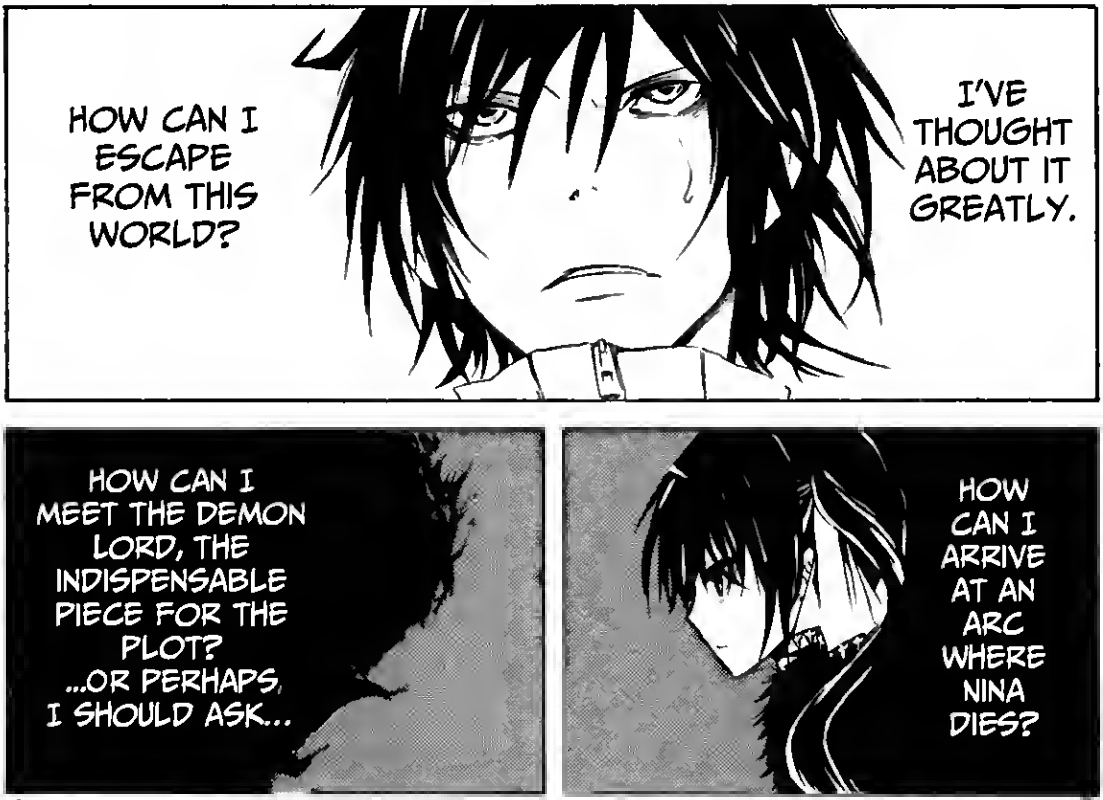
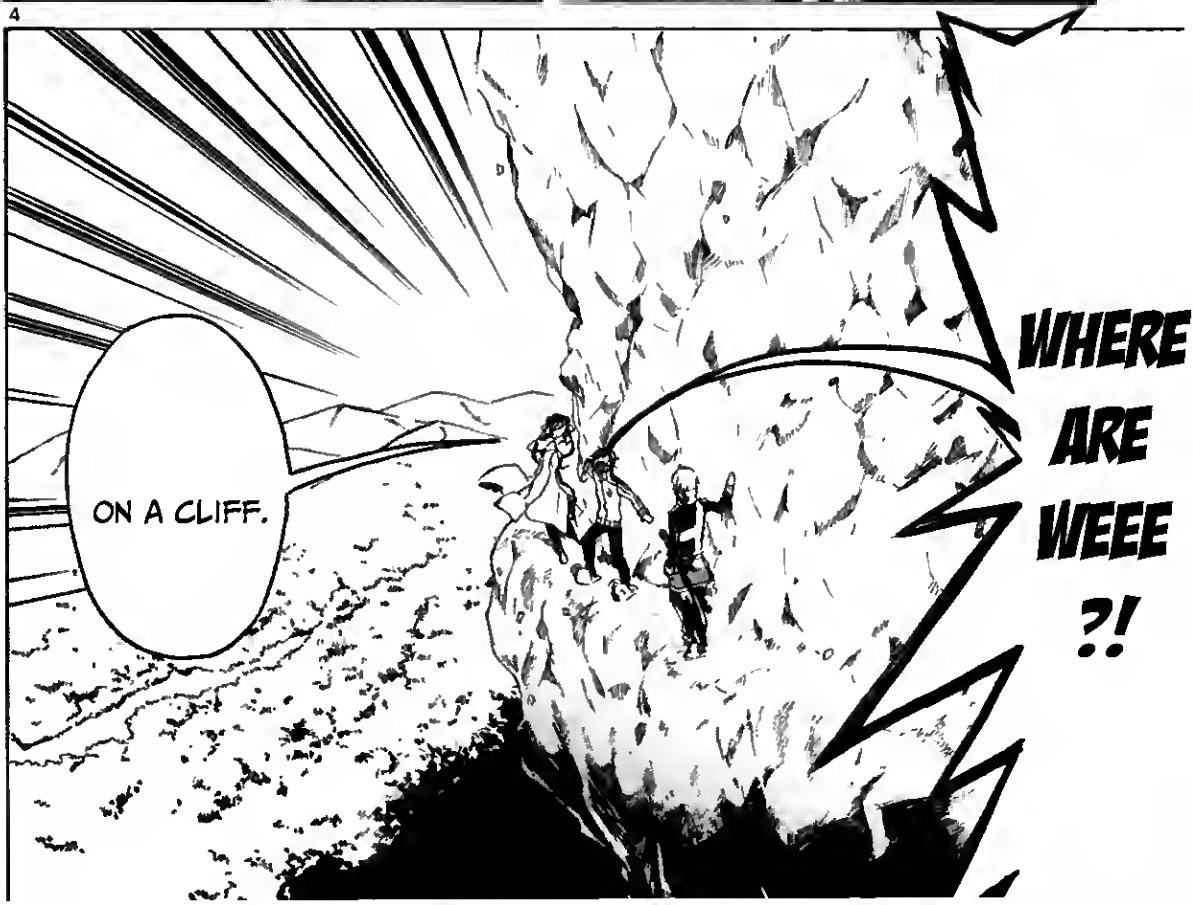
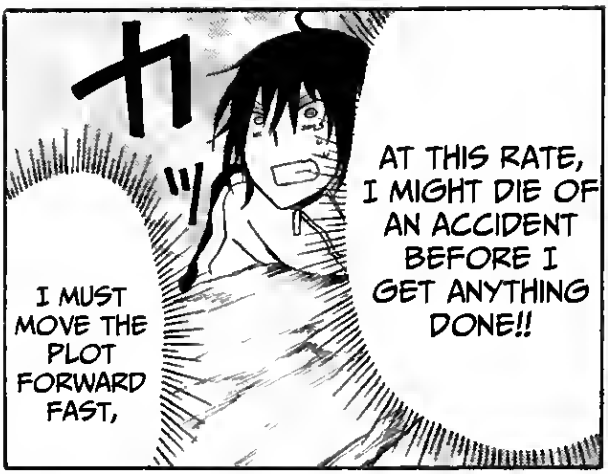

HOW CAN I ESCAPE FROM THIS WORLD?
I'VE THOUGHT ABOUT IT GREATLY.
HOW CAN I MEET THE DEMON LORD, THE INDISPENSABLE PIECE FOR THE PLOT? ...OR PERHAPS, I SHOULD ASK...
HOW CAN I ARRIVE AT AN ARC WHERE NINA DIES?

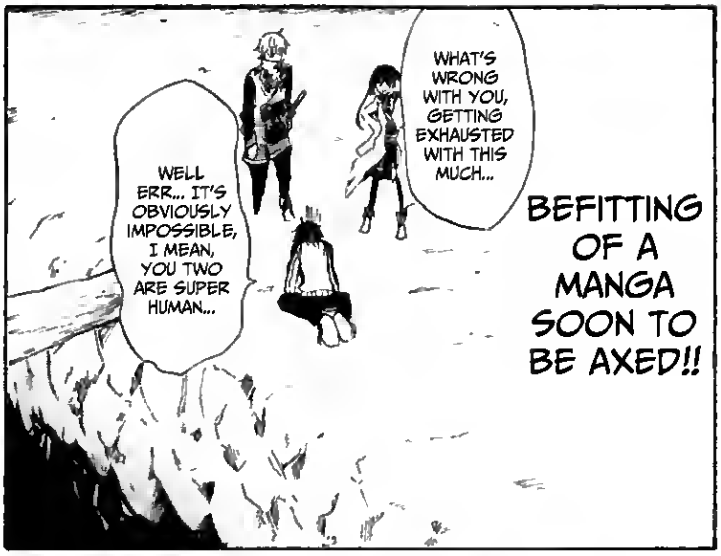


WELL, I KNOW THAT, BUT WHY ARE WE IN SUCH A DANGER-OUS PLACE?
SO THIS SUBDIVISION HAS TO BE FAR FROM PEOPLE.
EXORCISTS ARE UNIQUE BEINGS,
IT'S BUILT IN A REMOTE PLACE.
SO...
shiver shiver tremble tremble
Move faster
THE PATH WE'RE TAKING MIGHT BE FULL OF DANGERS.
IT'S NOT MORE OR LESS; IT'S A LEVEL IN WHERE I DON'T EVEN HAVE THE WILLPOWER TO RESORT TO THE MEANINGLESS FAN SERVICE CUT.


I MUST MOVE THE PLOT FORWARD FAST,
AT THIS RATE, I MIGHT DIE OF AN ACCIDENT BEFORE I GET ANYTHING DONE!!

THIS IS HOW I REAP WHAT I SOWED, THAT I'VE MADE DO WITH CLIFFS AND WOODS, BECAUSE I COULDN'T DRAW FANTASY-LIKE BACKGROUNDS...
I REGRET IT SO MUCH...

HMM, I GUESS SO; WE ARE EXTRAORDINARY HUMANS WHOSE PURPOSE IS TO DEFEAT THE DEMON LORD...
THE DEMON LORD...


WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU, GETTING EXHAUSTED WITH THIS MUCH...
WELL ERR... IT'S OBVIOUSLY IMPOSSIBLE, I MEAN, YOU TWO ARE SUPER HUMAN...
BEFITTING OF A MANGA SOON TO BE AXED!!

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IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE'S SHOWN EVEN THE SLIGHTEST SIGN OF CONFRONTING YOU AT ALL.
ABOUT THIS DEMON LORD, WHERE THE HECK DOES HE LIVE? WHAT IS HE DOING?

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IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU SHOULD KNOW, IS IT?
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YOU- YOU- YOU- YOU- YOU'RE QUITE RIGHT----

AND DID YOU FORGET...
サー…
WE DON'T COMPLETELY TRUST YOU.
RATHER, DEPENDING ON THE ORDERS FROM THE TOP, WE CAN POINT OUR SWORDS AT YOU.
IT'S WITH OUR

WELCOME,
COMRADES HERE...
TO THE DARK CRUSADERS FAR EAST SUBDIVISION.
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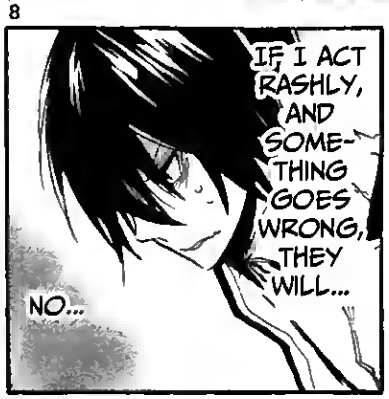
IF I ACT RASHLY, AND SOMETHING GOES WRONG, THEY WILL...
NO...

I ENTER THEIR STRONGHOLD WITHOUT HAVING AN ESCAPE PLAN...
...THIS IS BAD.

THERE'S NO REASON THAT THEY'LL DO SUCH A THING, I'LL BELIEVE IN THEM!!
HARU, NINA AND THE OTHER GUYS TOO, THEY ARE MY CHILDREN THAT I'VE RACKED MY BRAIN IN CREATING.

TO CUT OFF

THIS IS HOW IT TURNS OUT.

HUH?!
I'M SORRY, I WASN'T LISTENING.
HEY YOU! ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?

WHAT'S THAT? YOU WANT TO BE KILLED?
SHOULD THIS ONEE-CHAN KILL YOU?
EHHH? LILY, THAT'S UNFAIR! I WANTED TO TEST MY NEW BOMB...
HMM... IF THAT'S THE CASE, IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
LET'S DO IT ON THE COUNT OF THREE.

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NO, NO, YOU CAN'T KILL HIM YET.
FOR THE TIME BEING, WE HAVE TO SHOW HIM TO THE SUBDIVISION HEAD.
HUH?!
WHY? NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT THIS WEIRD-LOOKING GUY, HE'S WICKED!!
Look at his shoes!
CERTAINLY, IF WE KILL HIM FIRST, WE'LL UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING.

SHDAAAAA
AAAAP!!!

WHAT? ENOUGH ALREADY? SHOULD WE KILL YOU NOW ?
I DON'T KNOW.
HUH? PICTURES? READERS? WHAT'S THAT?
LIKE I SAID!!
YOU'RE TOO LOUD FOR THE PICTURES AND THE EARS! EVEN THE READERS CAN'T DEAL WITH IT!!
DON'T COME UP AND BLABBER ALL AT ONCE!!

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YOU DON'T HAVE ANY REASON TO ARREST ME, OR THE RIGHT TO KILL ME, YOU...
THE MAIN POINT IS THAT I'M NOT A DEMON, OR YOUR ENEMY!!

SFX: BLUSH
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IDIOT...
Rub
Rub
12
NO... THIS ISN'T WHAT...
.....
IT WASN'T ON PURPOSE, SORRY!!
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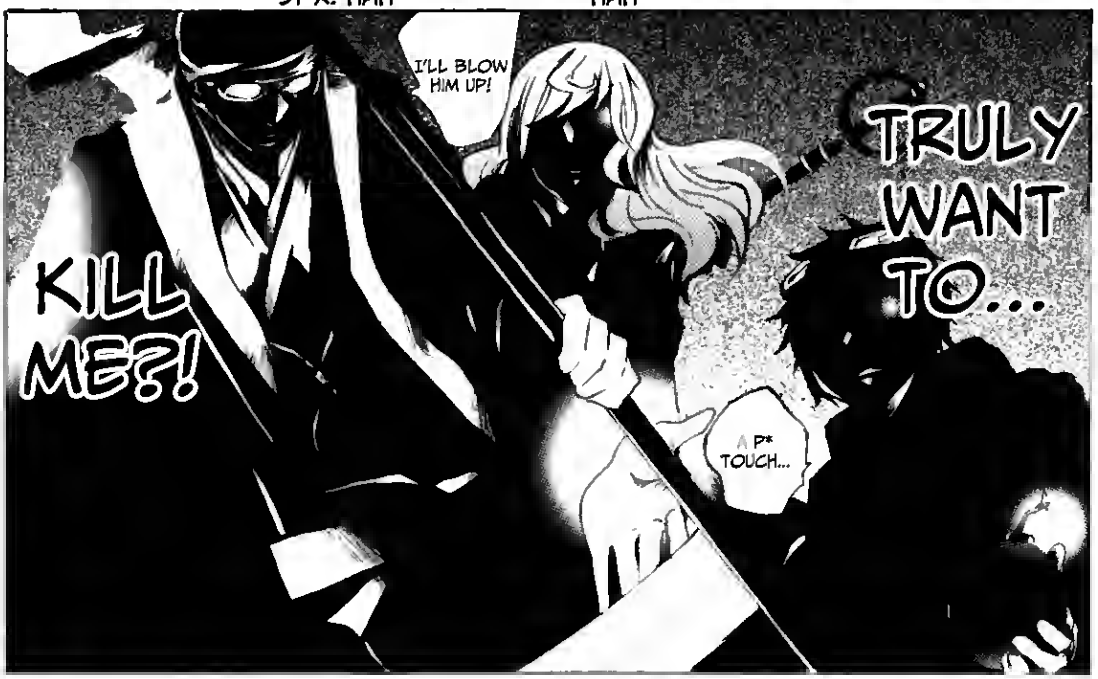
WH-...
GUAH...
YOU SAID YOU'RE NOT AN ENEMY?
BUT IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE MY ENEMY, I'M SURE OF IT...
AT THIS MOMENT.

SFX: HAH HAH



*NOTE : A PUN, MEANS TITS TOUCH

WAIT!!
BEFORE HE MAKES FURTHER TROUBLE FOR US, I'LL KI--...
WHATEVER. I'LL ROUGHLY COVER THIS WITH THE SUBDIVISION HEAD LATER.
WE'VE HAD ENOUGH, HARU.

NINA...
NO WAY, YOU'RE PROTECT-ING...

D-DON'T MISUNDER-STAND ME!
SINCE I HAVEN'T DECIDED YET THAT YOU'RE AN ENEMY, I WOULD FEEL BAD IF YOU DIED.

NINA...

...THAT'S WHY ...UNTIL THEN...
I'LL PROTECT YOU...

I'M SORRY, MY BAD. I APOLOGIZE FOR THAT!!
THEN YOU'D RATHER DIE? YOU'D RATHER DIE ALREADY?! YOU RATHER DIE QUICKLY?!?!
HUH?!
SAYS THE KLUTZ THAT I SAVED TWICE...
IT'S NOT VERY CONVINCING...

SFX: DEJA VU DEJA VU

DON'T CHANGE THE SUBJECT, OR RATHER WHO'S WEARING FINGER-LESS...
ISN'T WEARING FINGERLESS GLOVES EVEN MORE AWKWARD?
SPEAKING OF DEJA VU, I FEEL AS IF I'VE HEARD THE SAME CHAT SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE.
WHAT THE HECK DID YOU MEAN BY KLUTZ?!

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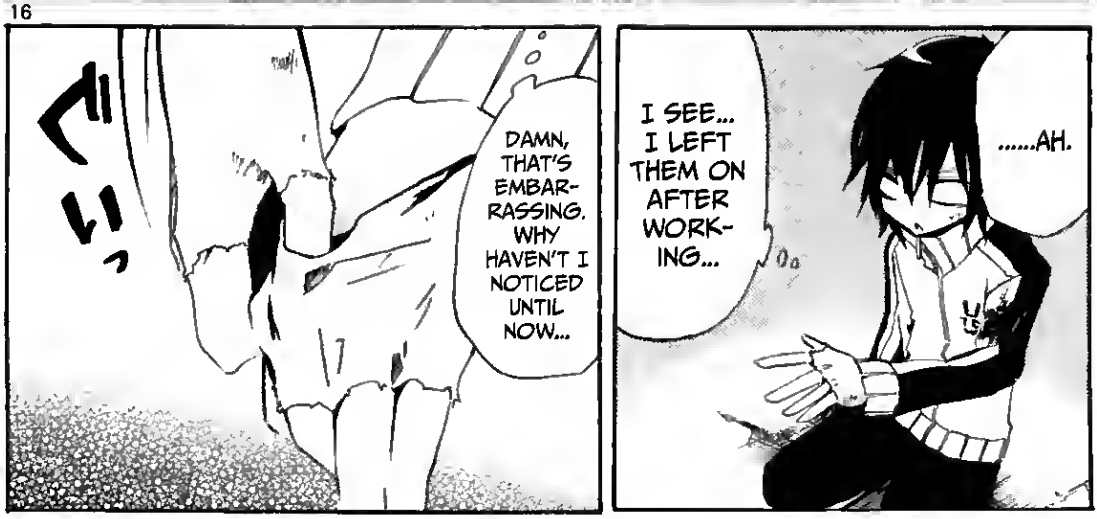

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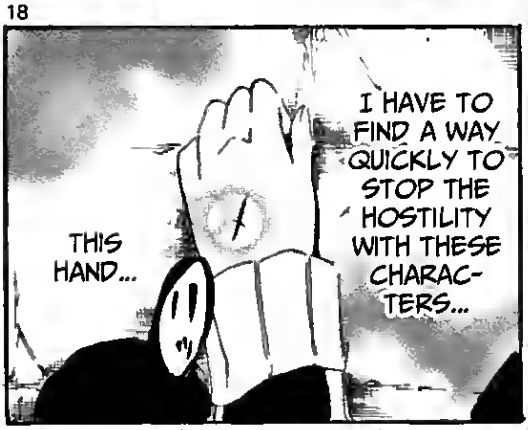
I WAS REALLY FREAKED OUT BACK THEN....IT'S BLOOD, I'M DYING... I THOUGHT SO, FOR THE FIRST TIME...
OCCASIONALLY WHEN I WAS TOO EXTREME, BLOOD CAME OUT UNBELIEV-ABLY...
AH...THIS SCAR. WHEN I WAS AN ASSISTANT, IN ORDER TO KEEP ME FROM SLEEP-ING, I INTENSELY STABBED THE BACK OF MY HAND WITH A CUTTER MANY TIMES.


THIS HAND...
I HAVE TO FIND A WAY QUICKLY TO STOP THE HOSTILITY WITH THESE CHARAC-TERS...

CRAP. I'M SERIOUSLY BEGINNING TO GET COLD; THE SENSATION IN MY ARM IS ALSO...
EVEN THOUGH I'M MORE LIKELY TO GET KILLED NOW...

SFX: FLICKER
...HUH?
AH... NO... ERR...
THIS HAND !!!

EVERYBODY... LOOK... LOOK AT THIS HAND!!

WHY...
ざわ...
BUT THE ROSARIO ...
IS ONLY GIVEN TO THE CHOSEN FEW WHO CROSSED THE DEMON LORD'S PATH...
H-HEY HEY, YOU'RE KID-DING
NO WAY...
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A RO-...
A ROSA-RIO?!

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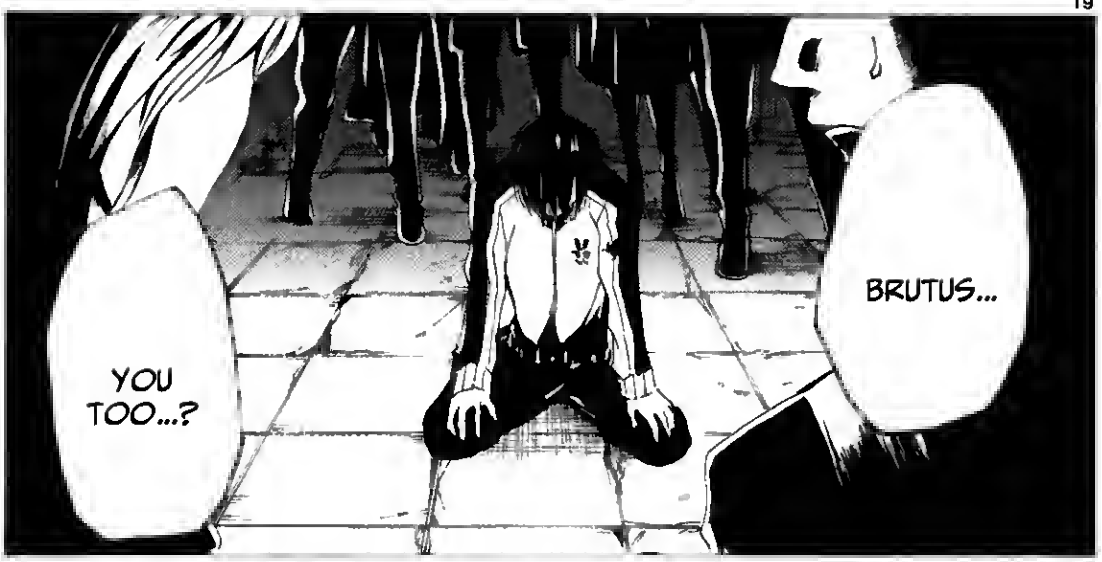
BRUTUS...
YOU TOO...?

I'M AGAINST RISKING MY LIFE USING COMEDY BUT...
I HAVE NO CHOICE!!!
OF COURSE THAT'S A LIE!!
AH... INDEED.

THE SAME AS YOU GUYS.
PERHAPS I'M.....

THIS ROSARIO ENGRAVED ON MY BODY ...AND...
HOWEVER, I FELT UNUSUALLY SYNCHRONIZED WITH NINA AND HARU WHILE I WAS MOVING WITH THEM.

I DON'T HAVE ANY MEMORY FROM BEFORE MY MEETING WITH NINA AT THE ABANDONED CHURCH.
WHY WAS I THERE? WHAT WAS I DOING UP TO THEN?

...I JUST SAID THAT I DON'T HAVE ANY MEMORY BUT...
A PICTURE THAT I DON'T COMPLETELY REMEMBER IS CLINGING TO A CORNER IN MY HEAD.

MY INTUITION SAYS THAT
THAT'S THE DEMON LORD.

THE GUY THAT STOLE MY MEMORIES!!
OF COURSE, I DON'T HAVE ANY RELIABLE PROOF.
I JUST KNOW. BUT, I'LL DARE TO SAY IT.

THE MISSION TO DEFEAT THE...
DEMON LORD...

PLEASE,

THE DEMON LORD STOLE SOME-THING IMPORTANT FROM ME.

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CAN YOU LET ME JOIN YOU...
AS AN EXORCIST?

ISN'T...
FROM TODAY, SAGARA IS OUR COMRADE... NO, OUR BROTHER.
YEAH, OUR SOUL-MATE.
LET'S FIGHT TOGETHER, BROTHER!!
ISN'T THAT MOVING?
YOU WERE SUFFER-ING TOO!!
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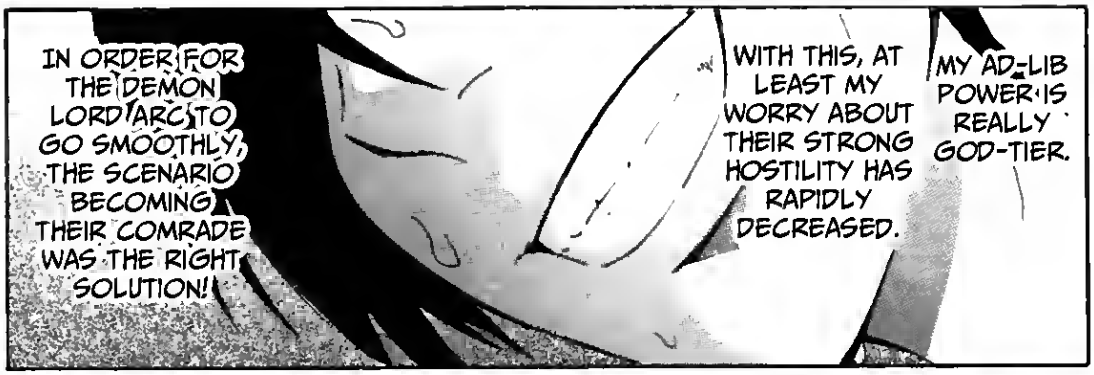
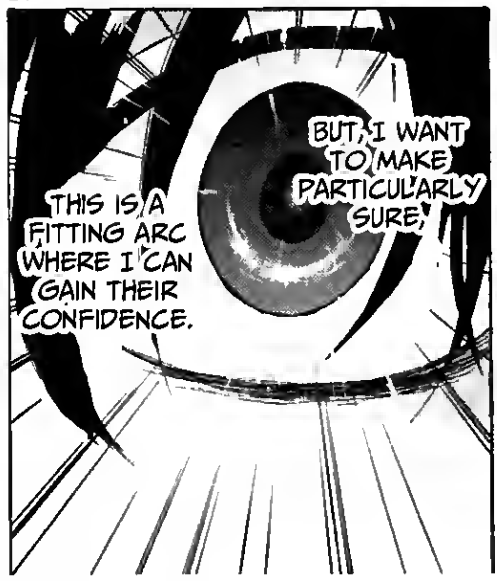
THANK YOU.
REALLY.
.....
YOU GUYS...

I DID IT!!
THANK YOU...


IN ORDER FOR THE DEMON LORD ARC TO GO SMOOTHLY, THE SCENARIO BECOMING THEIR COMRADE WAS THE RIGHT SOLUTION!
WITH THIS, AT LEAST MY WORRY ABOUT THEIR STRONG HOSTILITY HAS RAPIDLY DECREASED.
MY AD-LIB POWER IS REALLY GOD-TIER.


THIS IS A FITTING ARC WHERE I CAN GAIN THEIR CONFIDENCE.
BUT, I WANT TO MAKE PARTICULARLY SURE,

BUT, SOMEHOW, I'M DISAP-POINTED...!
HOWEVER, I'M GLAD EVERYBODY EASILY BELIEVED MY ACT...

A... A DEMON !!
!!
IT'S COMING ——( )(∀°)(°∀°)(°∀)( )——!!
NOW NOW!! LET'S QUICKLY DEFEAT IT AND GO THROW SAGARA'S WELCOME PARTY !!
YEAH !!
DAMN... AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!
READ THE MOOD!!
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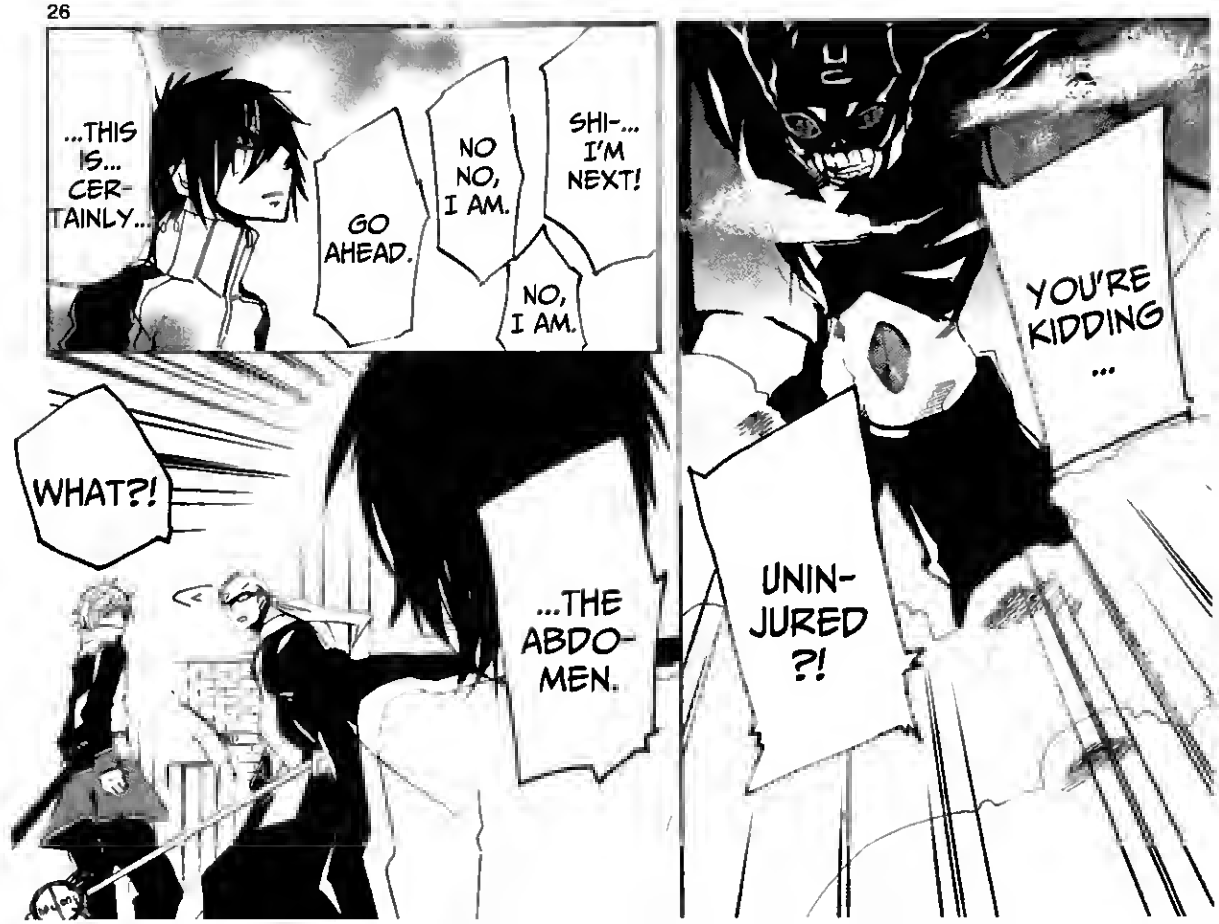
!!!
MARIA LAC-RIMA !!
!?


...THIS IS... CER-TAINLY...
GO AHEAD.
NO NO, I AM.
NO, I AM.
SHI-... I'M NEXT!
YOU'RE KIDDING ...
UNIN-JURED ?!
WHAT?!
...THE ABDO-MEN.

I SET A WEAK POINT THERE SO IT WOULDN'T DIE WITH ONE STRIKE, BUT THIS DEVIL WAS REJECTED BECAUSE IT WAS TOO SUBTLE.
THIS IS THIS GUY'S WEAK POINT, AIM HERE!!
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INDEED.
BUT WE'LL HAVE TO TRY!!
ON...ON WHAT ARE YOU BASING YOUR...
LET'S GO!!
EH?!

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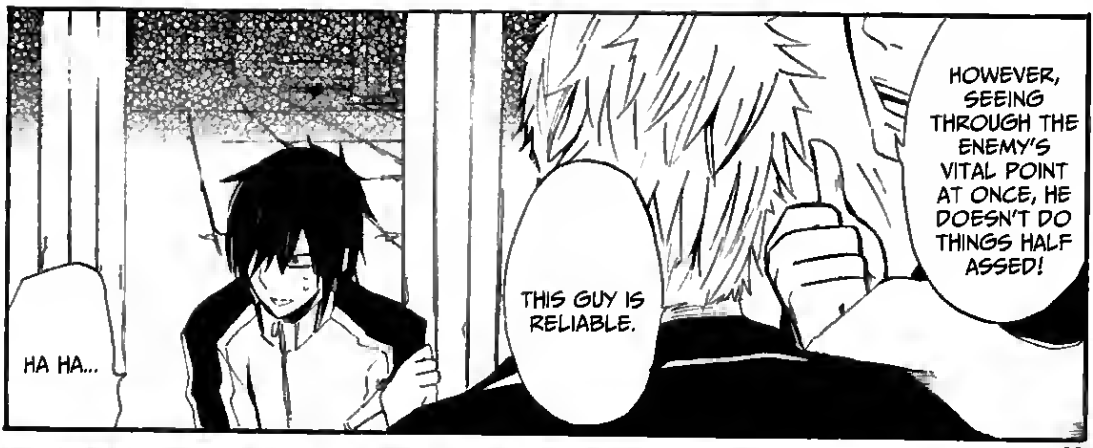
SFX: BA-DABOOM
YOU'RE GOING ALL TOGETHER?!

WELL... IN THIS CASE, YOU DIDN'T BOTHER GOING FOR THE WEAK SPOT.
WE HAVE WON THANKS TO YOUR ADVICE!! THANKS SAGARA.


HA HA...
THIS GUY IS RELIABLE.
HOWEVER, SEEING THROUGH THE ENEMY'S VITAL POINT AT ONCE, HE DOESN'T DO THINGS HALF ASSED!

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HEY SAGARA.
GLOOMY FEELING?
!

WITH THIS, I'VE COMPLETELY GOTTEN THEIR CONFIDENCE AND THEIR RECOGNITION AS A COMRADE.
BUT, I FEEL UNEASY ABOUT SOMETHING... WHAT'S THIS...

CRAP, CRAP, WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I SAW HIM BUT... I ONLY BARELY REMEMBER HIM FROM A BIT OF MY MEMORIES...
HOW SHOULD I PUT IT... HE LOOKS LIKE A HUMAN, BUT HE'S CLEARLY FROM ANOTHER WORLD...
SOMETHING LIKE THAT..
WHAT DOES HE LOOK LIKE?!
YOU SAW THE DEMON LORD?!
EH?

WELL, IT'S THE FIRST TIME WE'VE SEEN SOMEONE WHO HAS ALREADY SEEN THE DEMON LORD.
I SEE, HE'S THAT KIND OF GUY...
...WHY?

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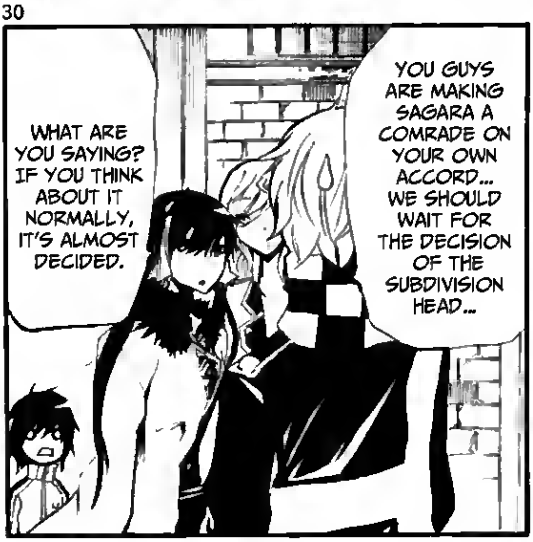
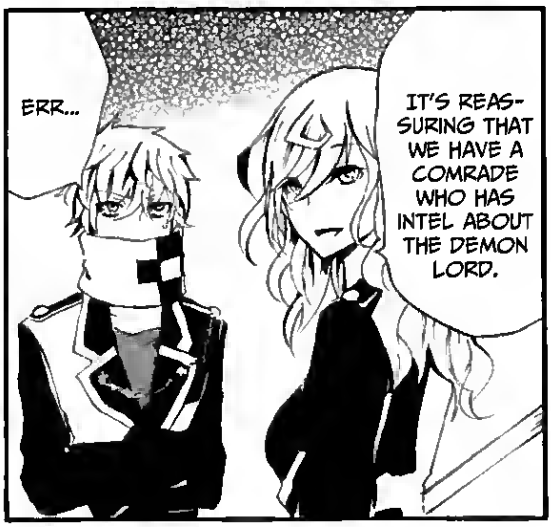
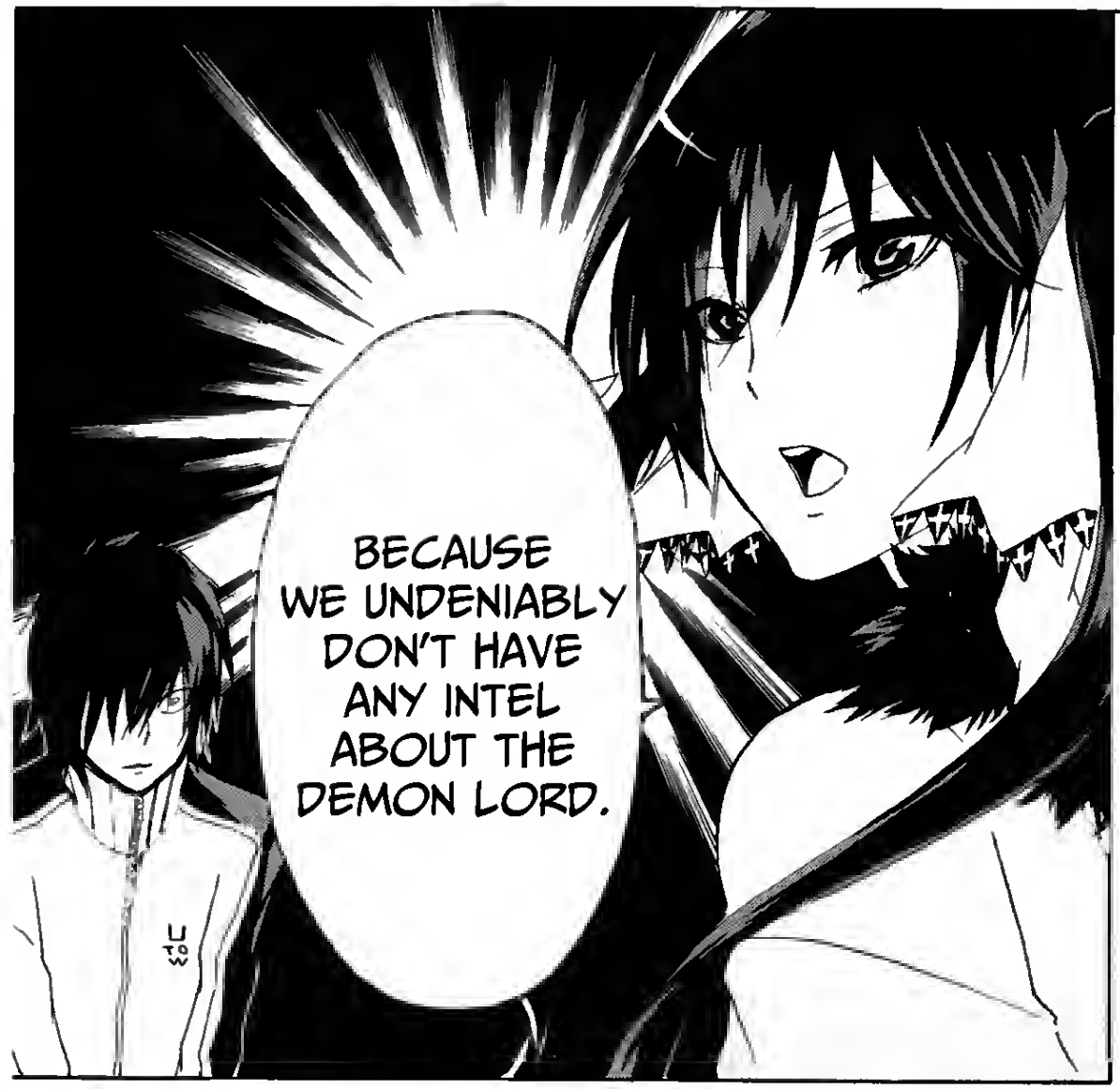

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT NORMALLY, IT'S ALMOST DECIDED.
YOU GUYS ARE MAKING SAGARA A COMRADE ON YOUR OWN ACCORD... WE SHOULD WAIT FOR THE DECISION OF THE SUBDIVISION HEAD...


ERR...
IT'S REASSURING THAT WE HAVE A COMRADE WHO HAS INTEL ABOUT THE DEMON LORD.



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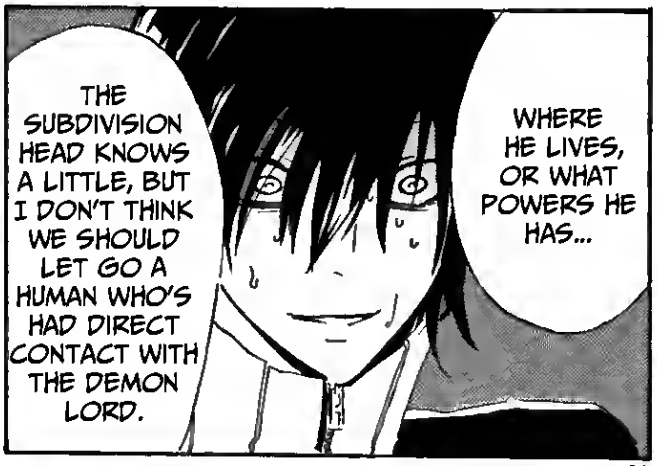
WHERE HE LIVES, OR WHAT POWERS HE HAS...
THE SUBDIVISION HEAD KNOWS A LITTLE, BUT I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD LET GO A HUMAN WHO'S HAD DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE DEMON LORD.

I REALIZED A DISTRESSING THING,

IN FACT...
THE REASON IS
THEY DON'T HAVE AN OUNCE OF DISCRETION.
WHY THESE GUYS ACT THIS EXTREMELY AND SIMPLY.
THE UNCOMFORTABLE FEELINGS,

DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?

BEFORE I MADE MY DEBUT...WHEN I WAS DRAWING MYSTERY MANGA ONE-SHOTS, I THINK HE SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
HEY SAGARA-KUN.
DO YOU KNOW,
HA?
THAT CHARACTERS NEVER EXCEED THE INTELLIGENCE OF THE AUTHOR.
HAA...
WELL, THAT'S A GIVEN BECAUSE THE AUTHOR MAKES IT.
THAT'S RIGHT.
IN OTHER WORDS, MYSTERY MANGAS, WHICH REQUIRE INTELLIGENT CHARACTERS, ARE IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU!
WHA AT?!
SOMETHING LIKE THAT, UHEHE, REMEMBERING THAT MADE ME ANGRY...
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THAT'S NOT IMPORTANT RIGHT NOW...
THE HUMANS OF THIS WORLD ARE MY CHARACTERS.
THERE ARE NO GUYS MORE INTELLIGENT THAN ME.
THEREFORE, THESE GUYS THINK OR ACT THOUGHTLESSLY...
MOREOVER, IF THESE GUYS ACT BASED ON THE INFORMATION I DREW...

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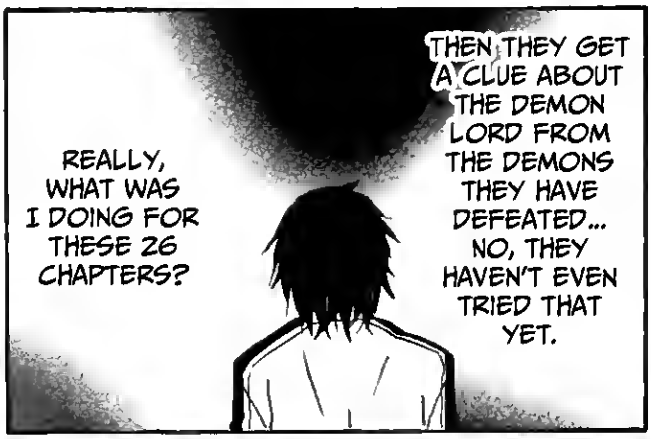
BECAUSE OF A QUEST THEY RECEIVED, THEY GO TO DEFEAT THEM.
①
BECAUSE THEY COME THEMSELVES FROM FAR WAY, OR...


REALLY, WHAT WAS I DOING FOR THESE 26 CHAPTERS?
THEN THEY GET A CLUE ABOUT THE DEMON LORD FROM THE DEMONS THEY HAVE DEFEATED... NO, THEY HAVEN'T EVEN TRIED THAT YET.

IN THIS WORLD, MY MANGA... IN OTHER WORDS, THE DEMON LORD THAT I DIDN'T DRAW...
I WAS IN DESPAIR,

THERE IS NO WAY THEY KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT THE DEMON LORD, WHEN I HAVEN'T EVEN MADE THE CHARACTER DESIGN YET.

WE CAN'T DEFEAT HIM!!
DOESN'T EXIST!!

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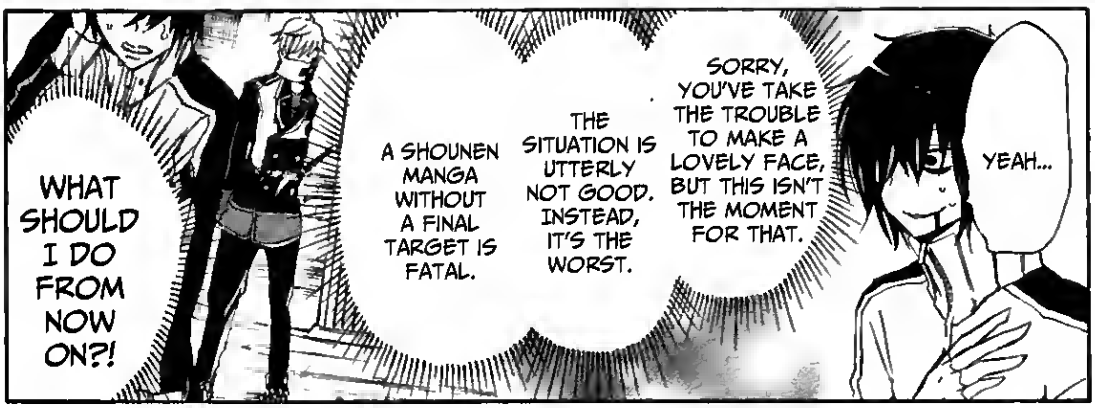
...WELL... THIS MEANS THAT FROM TODAY ON YOU'RE OUR COMRADE.
FOR THE TIME BEING.

I'M SCREWED.
.....?

GOOD FOR YOU.


WHAT SHOULD I DO FROM NOW ON?!
A SHOUNEN MANGA WITHOUT A FINAL TARGET IS FATAL.
THE SITUATION IS UTTERLY NOT GOOD. INSTEAD, IT'S THE WORST.
SORRY, YOU'VE TAKE THE TROUBLE TO MAKE A LOVELY FACE, BUT THIS ISN'T THE MOMENT FOR THAT.
YEAH...

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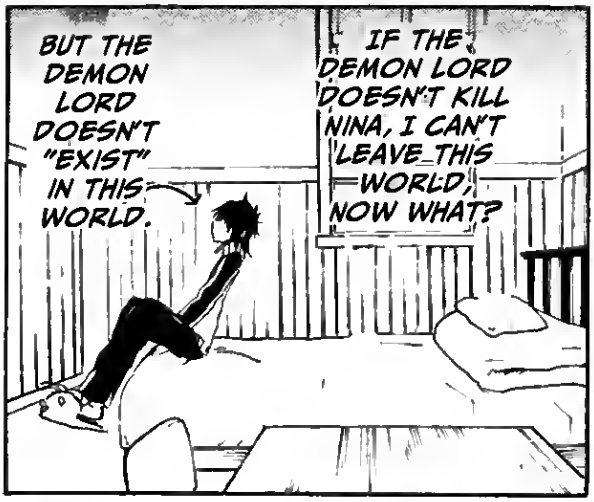

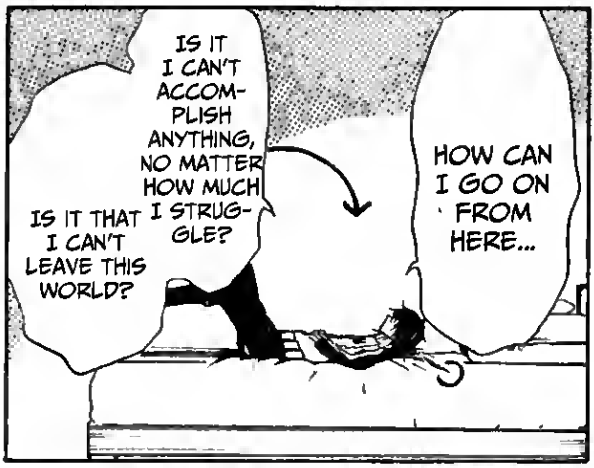

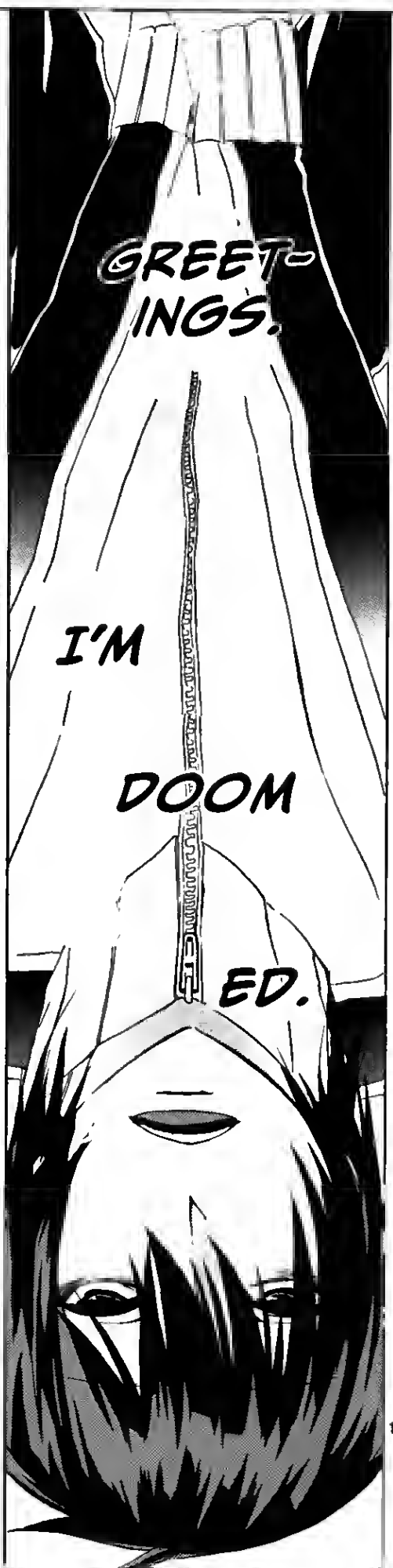

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SAGARA.
SAGARA.

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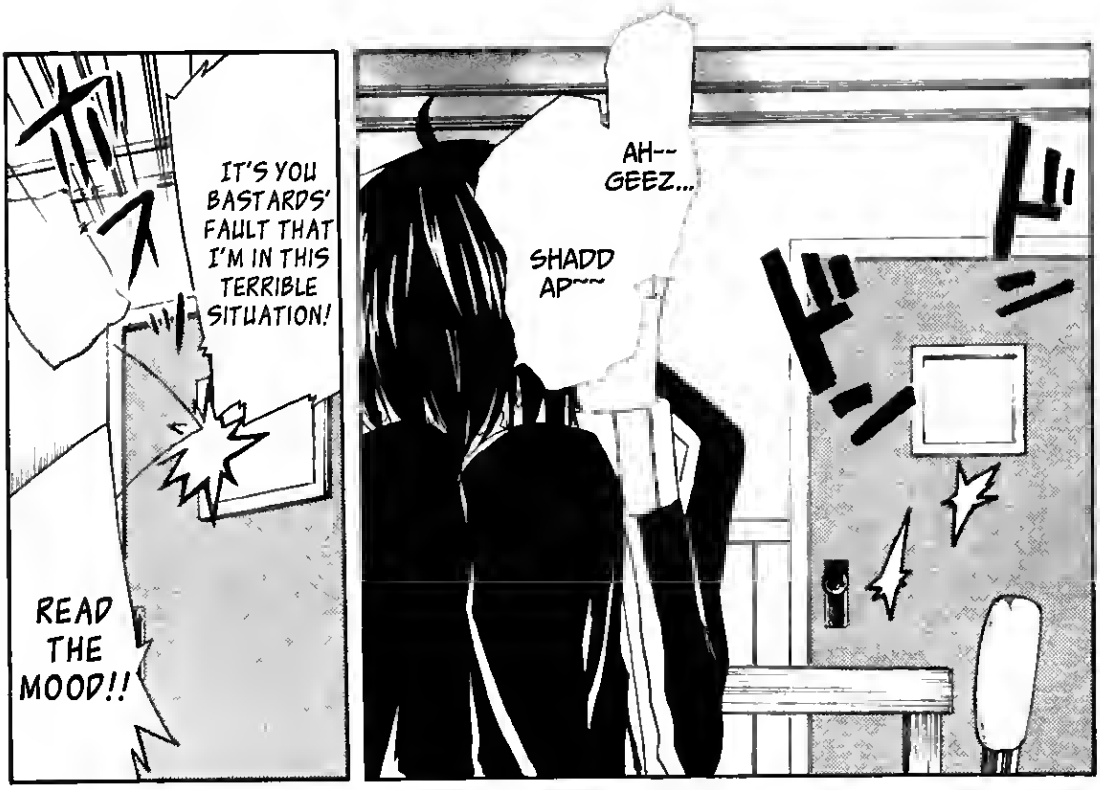
HUH!? YOU'RE IGNORING ME? SERIOUSLY, WHAT IS THIS!?
YOU'RE HOLING UP? ON YOUR SECOND DAY OF MEMBER-SHIP!?!

YOU DIDN'T HAVE BREAK-FAST YET, WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
ARE YOU ASLEEP? ARE YOU DEAD!?


IT'S YOU BASTARDS' FAULT THAT I'M IN THIS TERRIBLE SITUATION!
READ THE MOOD!!
AH-- GEEZ...
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AH-- IT'S PISSING ME OFF. IF I EVER GET BACK TO REALITY, I SHOULD MAKE A NAME WHERE NINA, HARU, AND THE OTHERS ARE DESTROYED...
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SHIT-- WHAT'S THE BEST THING TO DO? I DIDN'T THINK OF A GOOD PLAN AT ALL...

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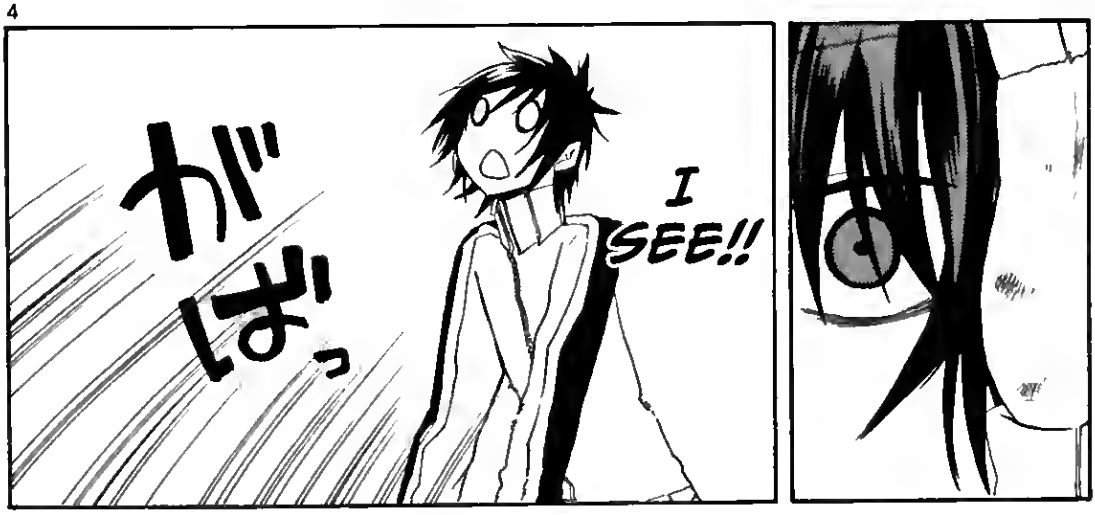
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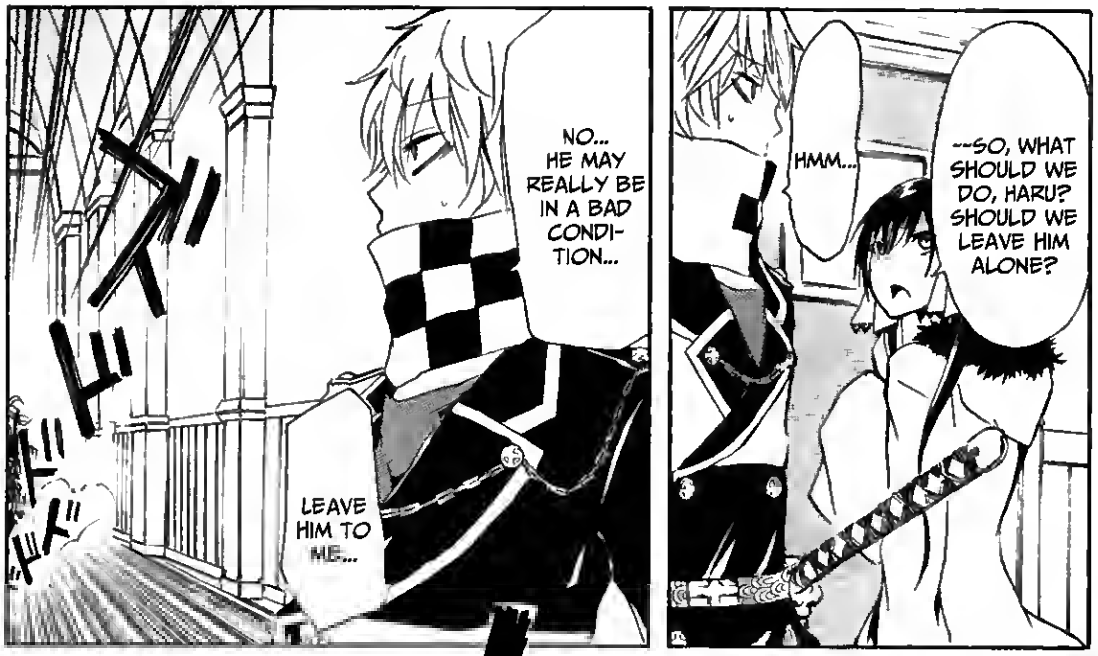
I SEE!!


NO... HE MAY REALLY BE IN A BAD CONDI-TION...
LEAVE HIM TO ME...
HMM...
---SO, WHAT SHOULD WE DO, HARU? SHOULD WE LEAVE HIM ALONE?

You're cute as ever today too. You want me to fondle you, right? Can I fondle you?
Your big sister will!!
WAI-... LILY-SAN ...
Nina
Mornin'

AH, SAGARA.
THAT'S NOT TRUE.
I... I'M NOT THAT CUTE...
LOOK, THESE TINY BREASTS...
...ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
.....
WAI-... STO...
OR THIS WAIST LINE...
YEAH.
?
WHERE ARE YOU TOUCH-...
...Ahh.

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WHY... DIDN'T I NOTICE THIS...?

I'M-THE AUTHOR OF THIS MANGA.....

THE GOD OF THIS WORLD, SO TO SPEAK!!

IF THERE'S NO STORY, I SHOULD JUST MAKE ONE.

IF THE DEMON LORD DOESN'T EXIST...

I SHOULD JUST CREATE HIM...
UTOW
IF I'M WRAPPING THE PLOT UP TO THIS POINT...
I WILL TRIUMPH!!
ERR... SAGARA?
.....
O- OH, WHAT IS IT!?

ERR, IF YOU'RE ALRIGHT, COULD YOU GO OUTSIDE WITH ME?
I WAS ASKED TO DO A MINOR MISSION.
...AH... AAH WELL, BUT...
WHAT ARE YOU SMIRKING AT?
It's gross
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EH? THEN I'M ALSO COMING!!
IT'S ALRIGHT, NINA.
THIS MISSION ISN'T A BIG DEAL.
PLEASE, CONTINUE TO HAVE FUN.
WAI-... WAIT. IT MAY BE EASY FOR YOU, BUT IT'S TOO HARD FOR SAGARA.

WAIT, WHAT? ARE YOU WORRYING ABOUT ME, NINA~?
Uwa
I'm moved
Heave!!
COULD YOU GO AND DIE? IT'S NOT LIKE THAT, DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA.

IT'S THE GROUND-WORK,
FOR NINA'S DEATH.

HARU LEAVING NINA BEHIND AND
GOING ON A MISSION BY HIMSELF, IS ALSO PART OF THE PLOT.

THE ARC PLOT IS GOES LIKE THIS. HARU GOES TO A GHOST TOWN IN ORDER TO KILL A SOME SMALL FRY OF A DEMON.
DUE TO HIS CARELESSNESS, THE DEMON STEALS HIS SWORD.
UTOW

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HMPH... NOW I'LL TAKE MY LEAVE FOR TODAY.
AND GLOATS LIKE THIS WHEN HE ESCAPES...
NOBUNAGA, ONE OF THE MAIN ANTAGONISTS... HE APPEARS FREQUENTLY...
WAIT!
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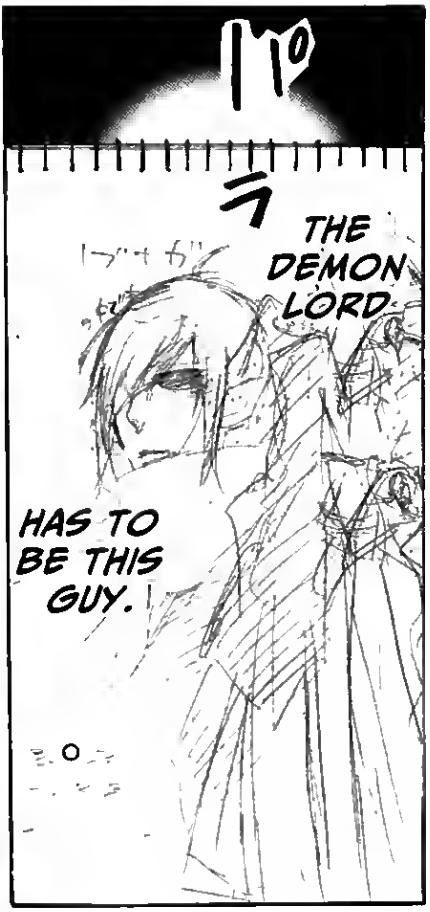
(SFX : NIMBLY)
DAMN... HE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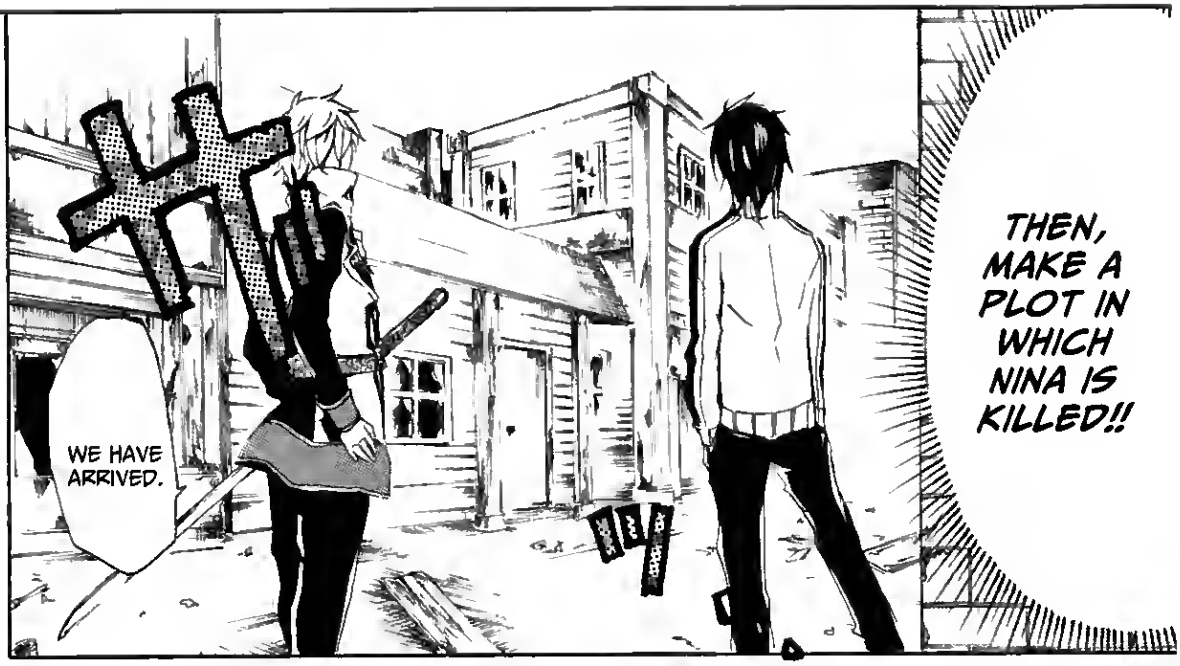
THE DEMON LORD
HAS TO BE THIS GUY.

DESTROY!!
SHE CHARGES AT THE DEMON LORD BY HERSELF.
THEN, AFTER SEEING HARU IN THIS STATE, NINA IS DRIVEN INTO A FRENZY...
HE BARELY MANAGES TO SURVIVE, BUT HE FALLS INTO A COMA (LOL).
HARU IS BEATEN SENSE-LESS
HARU CAN'T RESIST CHASING THE DEMON, AND HISDURING THE CHASE, HE GETS SLASHED BY THE DEMON LORD, WHO WAS WAITING FOR HIM.

BECAUSE IN TRUTH, HE IS THE DEMON LORD WHO RULES OVER ALL THE DEMONS!!
BUT, THIS A BAD CHOICE.

I HAVE TO EXPLAIN THE EXISTENCE OF THE DEMON LORD NOW!!
I'LL THINK ABOUT IT LATER.
WHY UP TO NOW, DID HE ESCAPE FIGHTS WITH A RUSE?


WE HAVE ARRIVED.
THEN, MAKE A PLOT IN WHICH NINA IS KILLED!!

LOW-LEVEL DEMONS OFTEN SETTLE IN SUCH GHOST TOWNS.
WE PERIODICALLY COME TO EXTERMINATE THEM.
HE--
HO--
WELL EVEN YOU, WHO HAS NO EXPERIENCE, COULD KILL THEM.
YEAH YEAH.
GOOD GOOD. NOW WITH HARU'S SWORD, TAKE THE SMALL FRIES.

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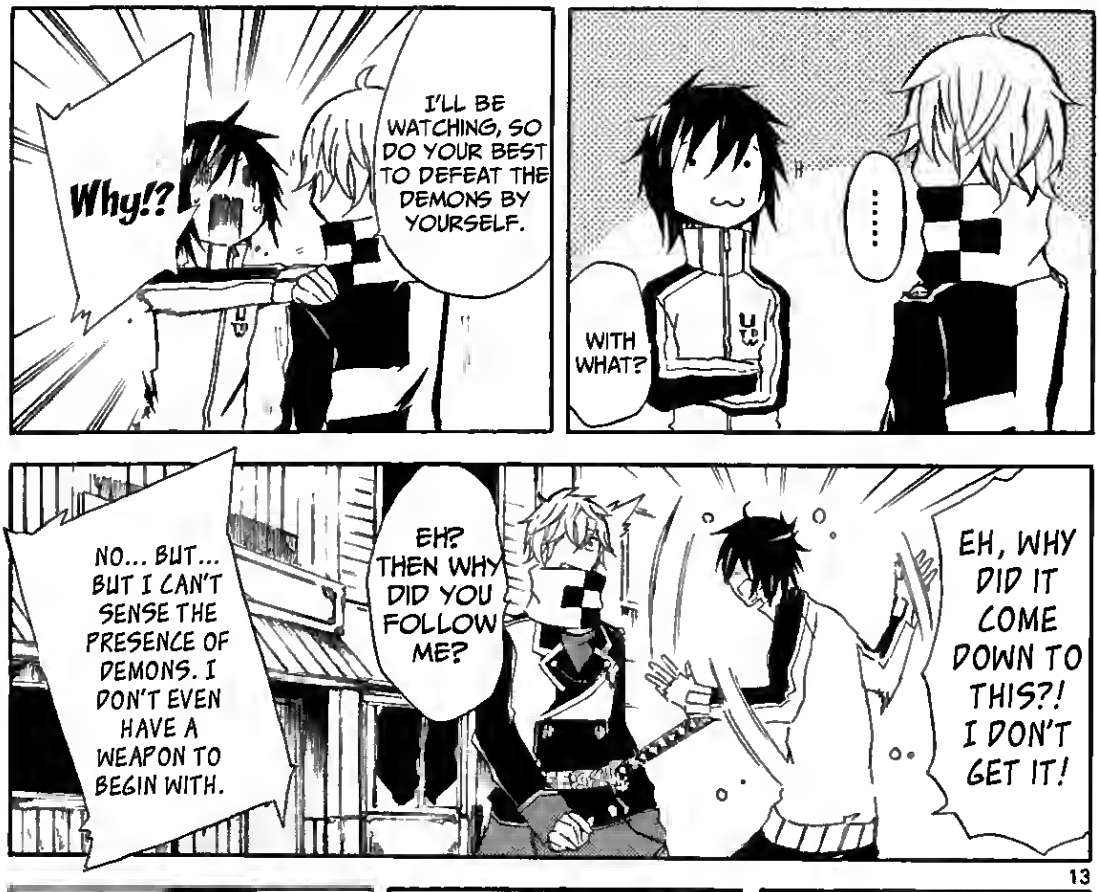
SO SAGARA,
DO YOUR BEST.


Why!?
I'LL BE WATCHING, SO DO YOUR BEST TO DEFEAT THE DEMONS BY YOURSELF.
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WITH WHAT?
NO... BUT... BUT I CAN'T SENSE THE PRESENCE OF DEMONS. I DON'T EVEN HAVE A WEAPON TO BEGIN WITH.
EH? THEN WHY DID YOU FOLLOW ME?
EH, WHY DID IT COME DOWN TO THIS?! I DON'T GET IT!

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IS THAT SO?
...LO-LOOK. I LOST MY MEMORY, HAVEN'T I!?
THAT'S WHY I DON'T REMEMBER THAT.
!!
"YOU DON'T HAVE A WEAPON"?
AFTER ALL, DON'T YOU HAVE A ROSARIO?
IT DOESN'T MATTER... WHETHER YOU SENSE THEIR PRES-ENCE OR NOT, THEY'LL COME TO GET YOU ON THEIR OWN.
BESIDES THAT, IT'S WEIRD.

NO, BUT THIS KIND OF WEAPON IS ONLY FOR ITS USER, ISN'T IT?
CAN SOMEONE ELSE USE IT!?

I DON'T KNOW, BUT "YOU'RE KIND OF LIKE ME".
PERHAPS YOU CAN...

...ISN'T THIS ONE OF THOSE MC'S BAD HABITS TO ASSUME THAT OTHER CHARACTERS CAN DO WHAT YOU CAN!
EH? ...IT'S WEIRD...
HUH?
IT'S NOT LIKE... THE NAME...

THEN USE MY SWORD PLEASE.

THIS GUY... HARU IS SUSPECTING SOMETHING...
ABOUT ME...?
NO... BUT THE RESULT IS THE SAME... THE SWORD, IS SEPARATED FROM HARU.
HOWEVER, WHAT IS THIS MISERABLE FEELING...

...NO, I SHOULD STOP OVER-THINKING THIS.
...BECAUSE...
I'LL GIVE IT A TRY.
...UNDER-STOOD.
WHY? ...WELL, THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT COME TO MIND, BUT... WHY NOW OF ALL TIMES!?

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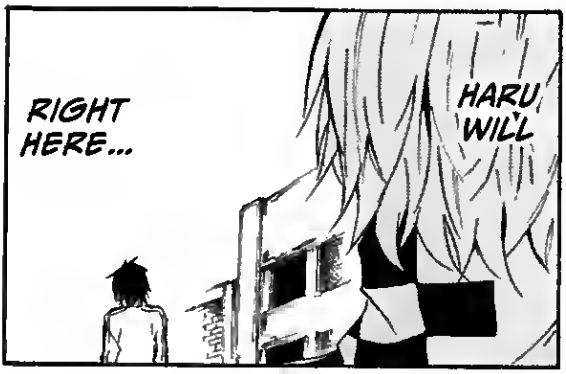
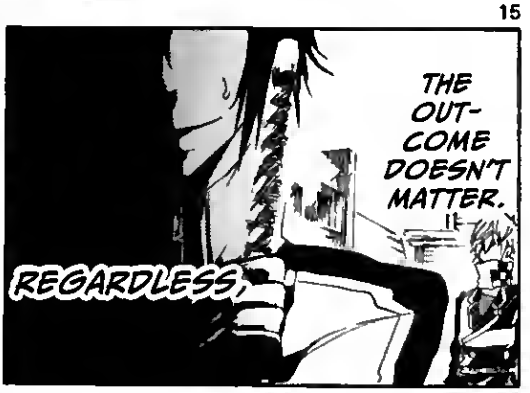

RIGHT HERE...
HARU WILL


REGARDLESS,
THE OUT-COME DOESN'T MATTER.

I'LL BE SLICED!!

I--diot. We demons are serving the Demon Lord.
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In order to kill you all, we'll strike anytime and anywhere!
Haa...
...AH...
HARU...

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I WORRIED FOR NO REASON.
THE MISSION IS ACCOM-PLISHED.
WITH THIS, AS LONG AS NOBUNAGA KILLS HARU ABOUT HALFWAY IN,

JUST LIKE THE NAME...

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THAT'S GOOD!!

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JUST LIKE THE NAME, BUT...
...BY THE WAY ...
EVEN FOR MY (SOON TO BE) AXED MANGA...
BUT SEEING THIS LIVE IS QUITE INTENSE...
WELL, I PUT NOBUNAGA AS THE LAST BOSS, SO HE NEEDS HIS STRENGTH TO BE APPEALING.
... UGH ...
THAT'S A BIT TOO VIOLENT. THERE'S TOO MUCH BLOOD.
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MY CHARACTERS HAVE TO FACE SUCH A TRAGIC MOMENT.
...I ONLY REALIZED JUST NOW, BUT WITH ONE THOUGHT... I SEE...
It's foolish.
What a self-sacrifice.

This will be your end...
Here!!

SAGARA...
ARE YOU STUPID !?
THAT'S THE FIRST THING YOU SAY?!!
YOU CAN'T MATCH HIM! QUICKLY RU--

Shadd-ap!!
This arc is canceled!!
HUH!?
A bloody battle doesn't go well with my art style!!
DON'T TALK SUCH NONSENSE AND GIVE ME BACK MY SWORD...
DON'T WANNA. THE CURRENT YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY WIN IN THIS ARC, EVEN IF YOU UNLEASH YOUR ROSARIO...

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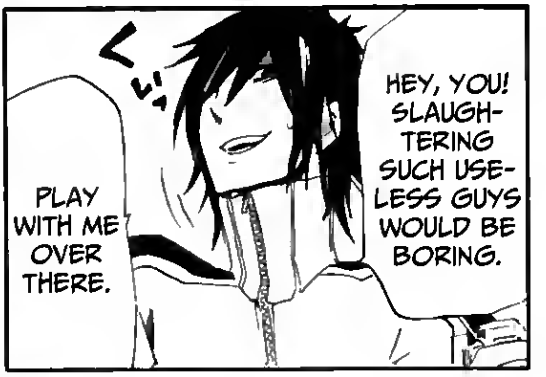
HEY, YOU! SLAUGHTERING SUCH USELESS GUYS WOULD BE BORING.
PLAY WITH ME OVER THERE.

WAI-... SAGARA ...
YOSH! FOLLOW ME IF YOU WANT!!
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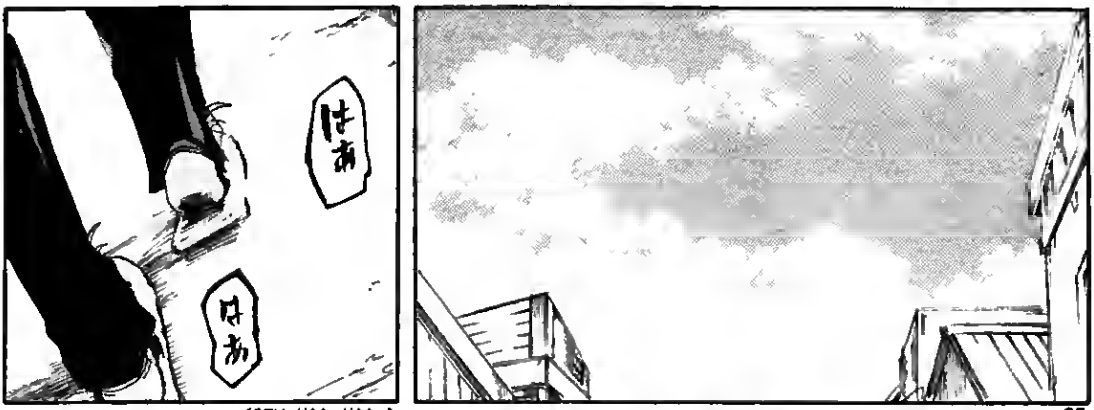
(SFX: RUN)

DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!
HARU! HIDE SOMEWHERE AND CALL FOR HELP!!



(SFX: HAA.. HAA...)

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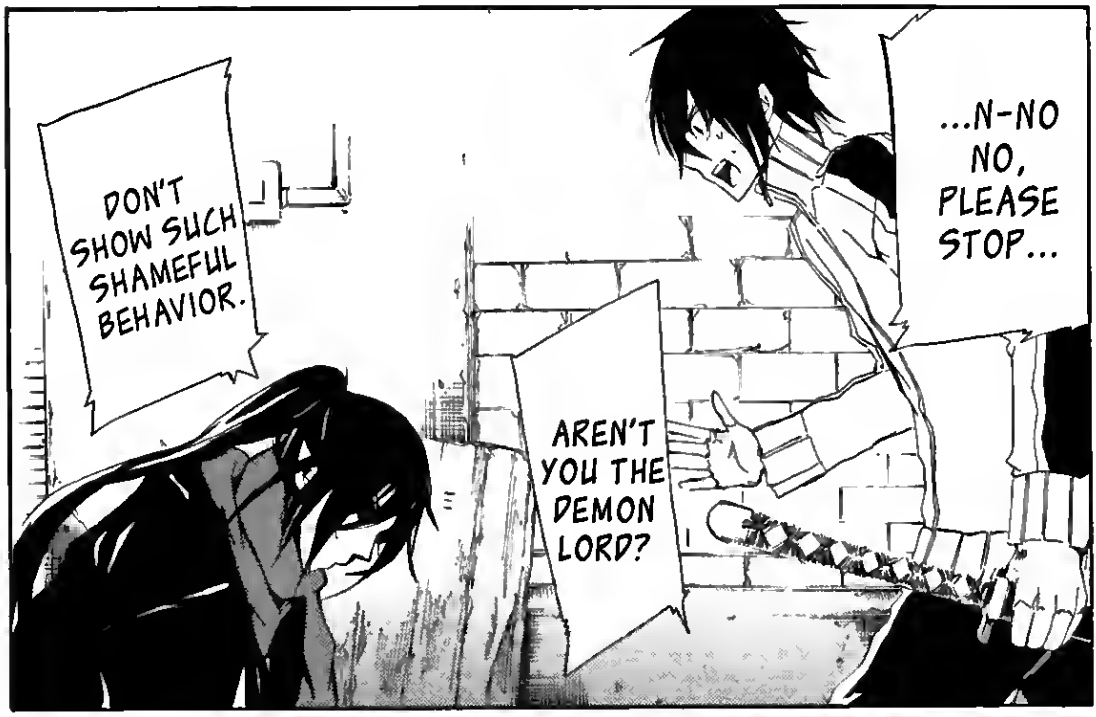
How far will you go, sire...?
(SFX :FRIGHTENED)
CRAP...
I'M DE-...

I'm terribly sorry!!

EH!?

HA...
I'LL GLADLY ACCEPT ANY PUNISHMENT!
...HOW SHOULD I MAKE AMENDS FOR THIS?
NO MATTER WHAT CIR-CUMSTANC-ES, I POINTED MY BLADE AT YOU...


...N-NO NO, PLEASE STOP...
AREN'T YOU THE DEMON LORD?
DON'T SHOW SUCH SHAMEFUL BEHAVIOR.

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...WHO...?

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...YOU.

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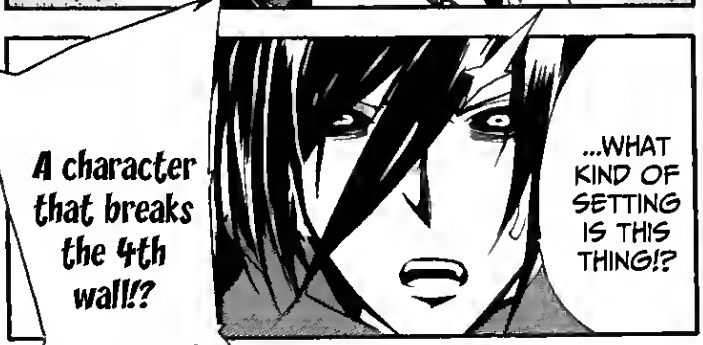
DEMON LORD...?


...WHAT KIND OF SETTING IS THIS THING!?
A character that breaks the 4th wall!?

THIS IS WEIRD. WHAT IS THIS!? IT DIFFERS AGAIN FROM THE NAME...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "I DE-CEIVED?" YOU'RE THE DEMON LORD!
NO NO NO.
...N-NO. THIS IS...YOU TEMPORARILY DECEIVED THE EXORCISTS INTO BELIEVING IT
Like I said, this isn't—...
I DON'T UNDERSTAND. ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME, DEMON LORD?
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HUH !?
?

SIR,
AREN'T YOU THE DEMON LORD?

...WH-...
...WHAT DID YOU SAY?

YES.
EH... WHAT? I'M *THE* DEMON LORD?

AFTER ALL, LOOK, SPEAKING OF THE DEMON LORD...
THE DEMON LORD...

Really!?
NO... I MEAN, TODAY IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE HAD CONTACT WITH YOU DEVILS...

・THE LAST BOSS, WHO WANTS TO DESTROY THIS WORLD.
・HE'S THE EXORCISTS' ENEMY.
・HE WANTS TO CRUSH THE EXORCISTS WITH HIS DEVIL MINIONS.
※ WHAT IS THE DEMON LORD?
LET ME THINK ABOUT THIS FOR A MOMENT !!
.....THE DEMON LORD... COME TO THINK OF IT ...WHAT IS THE DEMON LORD? I HAVE AN UNCERTAINTY WITH THIS.

・A MERE AUTHOR, WHO WANTS TO FINISH THIS MANGA.
・THE EXORCISTS ARE MY ENEMIES, OR RATHER, I WANT TO KILL NINA.
・FOR THIS PURPOSE, I AM TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE DEMONS. <- I'M HERE!
※ WHAT AM I?
HERE!!
AND WHAT IS THE SETTING WITH ME BEING ADDRESSED AS THE DEMON LORD?

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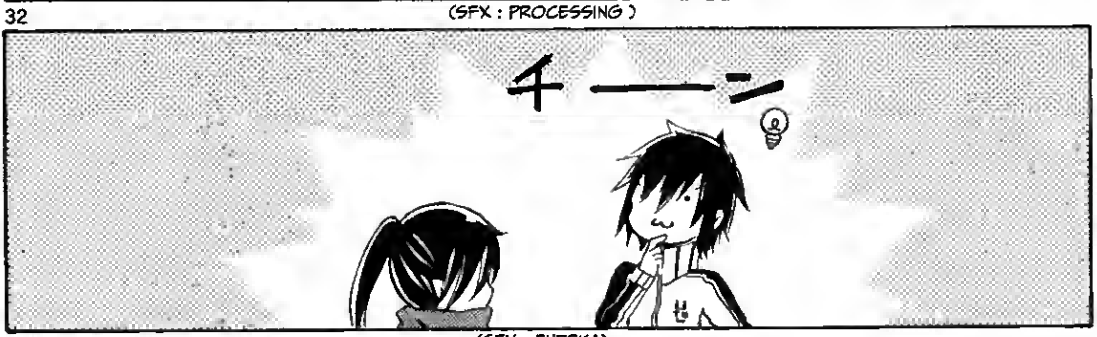
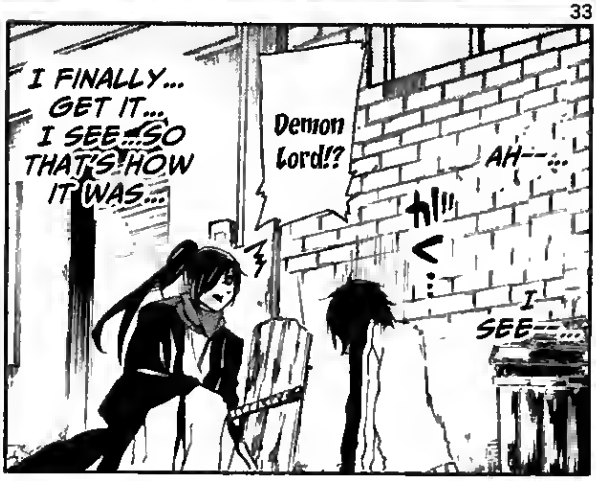
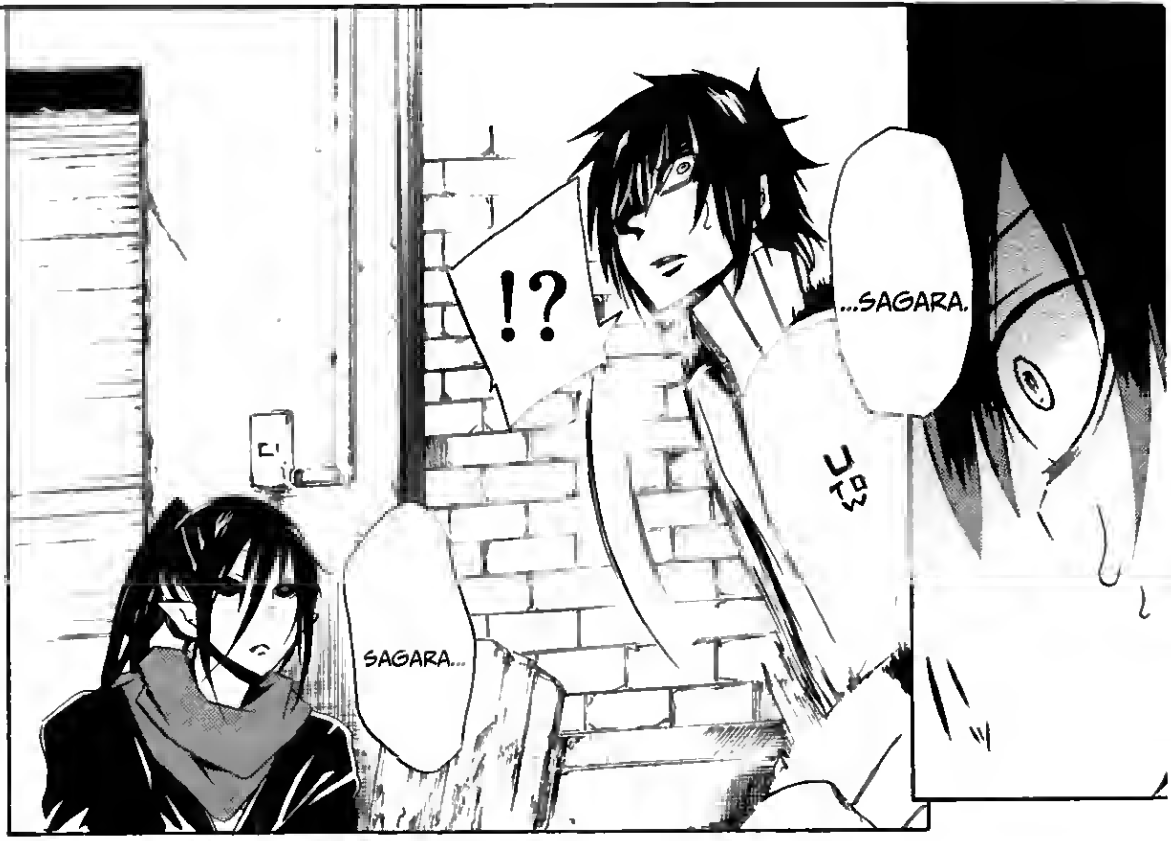


(SFX : EUREKA)

I AM... THE LASBOSS...

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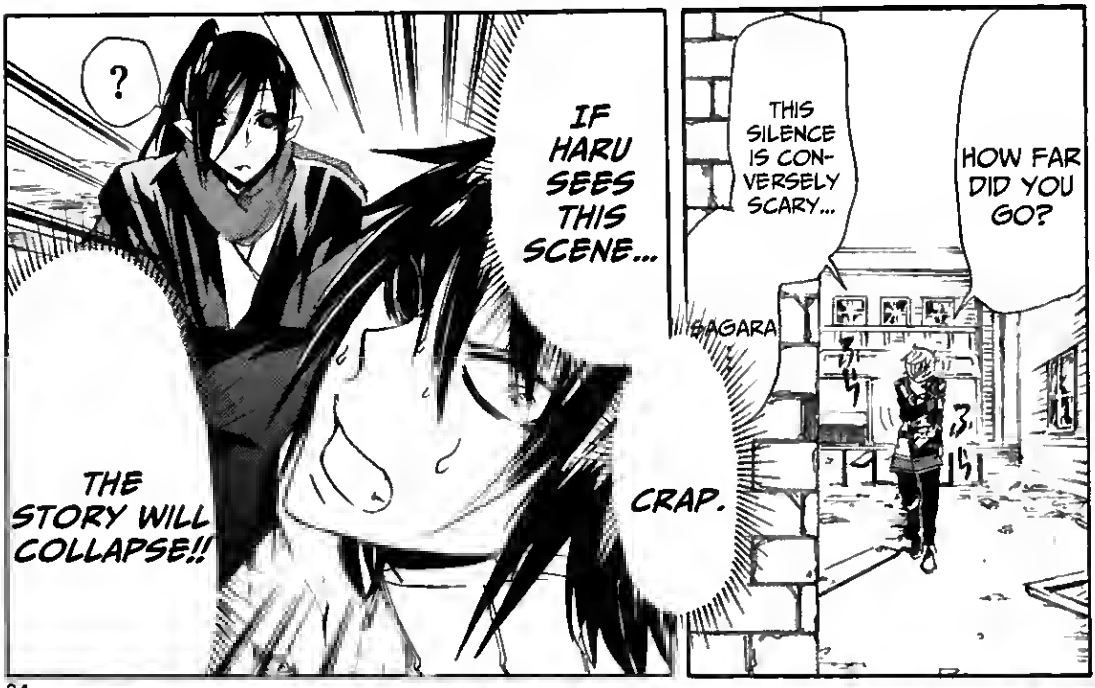
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IF HARU SEES THIS SCENE...
THE STORY WILL COLLAPSE!!
CRAP.
THIS SILENCE IS CONVERSELY SCARY...
HOW FAR DID YOU GO?
SAGARA

...ARE YOU PLAYING DUMB AFTER ALL THIS?
HUH? WHAT WAS I DOING?
...WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
-MEANWHILE...

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